

**RESOLUTION BY
THE PIKES PEAK AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 07-146, “CONCERNING THE
CREATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES TO FAMILIES OF RECENTLY DISCHARGED VETERANS”**

March 14, 2007

WHEREAS, the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments is an association of three counties and 12 municipalities representing the Pikes Peak Region; and

WHEREAS, the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments is the regional planning agency for the Colorado Springs metropolitan area with responsibilities in the areas of military impact planning; and

WHEREAS, military installations and their enlisted and civilian populations are significant partners in the life of the Pikes Peak region; and

WHEREAS, Fort Carson will grow by over 10,000 new military personnel and 15,000 new family members by 2011 due to the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments is implementing the Fort Carson Regional Growth Coordination Plan to ease the growth impacts; and

WHEREAS, such a rapid influx of people to the region will place pressure on community resources such as mental health care; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 07-146 would create a three-year pilot program to provide mental health services to families of recently discharged veterans in the Colorado Springs area.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the PPACG Board of Directors does hereby declare its support for Senate Bill 07-146.

RESOLVED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments this 14th day of March 2007 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

ATTEST:

Wayne W. Williams
Chair

Malcolm Parker
Secretary