

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Indigent Legal Services For The Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction – Public Defender

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chair Walter and Legislators Fabiano, Hansut, Hewitt, and Uchitelle), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Cahill, Roberts, Ronk, and Walter)

Chair of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Eve Walter, and Deputy Chair Gina Hansut offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (NYS OILS) has selected Ulster County for participation in the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction with the provision of \$685,431.00 over three years; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction grant initiative is to support providers of representation of family court defense in upstate New York, and improve the quality of representation for parents involved in Article 10 child welfare matters; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender has requested that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction, Contract No: C2NDUFD51, for the period 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2025; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction, Contract No: C2NDUFD51, for the period 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2025, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

and move its adoption.

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ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Fabiano)

Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on April 6, 2023

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on April 11, 2023

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$215,018.00 – 2023 BUDGETED APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$215,018.00 – 2023 BUDGETED NYS REVENUE DOLLARS

\$226,820.00 – 2024 ANTICIPATED BUDGETED APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

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\$243,593.00 – 2025 ANTICIPATED BUDGETED APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original resolution adopted by the Ulster County Legislature on the 18th Day of April in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and said resolution shall remain on file in the office of said clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 21st Day of April in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Three.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
21st Day of April 2023.

[s] Victoria A Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Approved by the County Executive this
24th Day of April 2023.

[s] Jen Metzger
Jen Metzger, County Executive