

**Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Inter-municipal Agreement With Various Municipalities For The Operation Of U.R.G.E.N.T. (Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team) – Ulster County Sheriff**

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairman Briggs and Legislators Fabiano, Lapp, Maio, and Rodriguez)

Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Thomas J. Briggs, and Deputy Chairman Ronald G. Lapp, Jr. offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (URGENT) operates as a county-wide gang and narcotics law enforcement team consisting of law enforcement personnel from various agencies throughout Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the existence of a specialized unit to combat gang violence and narcotics trafficking will benefit Ulster County and serve as a resource for all police and law enforcement agencies within the County; and

WHEREAS, URGENT is overseen by the Ulster County District Attorney and the Sheriff of Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, local municipalities have been invited to participate in URGENT and have been given a Cooperative Agreement for execution to formalize their participation; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that additional municipalities will elect to participate in URGENT and seek to become parties to the Cooperative Agreement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an inter-municipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the various municipalities participating in the county-wide URGENT task force, for the term January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that additional municipalities that desire to participate shall be added as additional signatories to the Cooperative Agreement upon the review and authorization by the County Attorney, who shall provide notice of such additions to Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee,

