

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department Of Health For Funding The Lead Rental Registry Program – Department Of Health

Referred to: The Health, Human Services and Human Rights Committee (Chairman Uchitelle and Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, and McCollough), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Collins, Hansut, Kovacs, Nolan, Roberts, and Uchitelle)

Chairman of the Health, Human Services and Human Rights Committee, Abe Uchitelle, and Deputy Chair Craig V. Lopez offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Department of Health (DOH); and

WHEREAS, to eliminate childhood lead exposure in New York State, legislation introduces a statewide rental registry program to identify and remediate lead hazards and increase the number of lead-safe rental units in high-risk areas across the state; and

WHEREAS, New York State Public Health Law §1377 requires that all property owners of homes built prior to 1980 with two or more units register their property through a rental registry and have a lead safety inspection conducted; and

WHEREAS, it is the local health department's responsibility to complete, or ensure completion of, all components of PHL §1377; and

WHEREAS, the NYS Department of Health intends to award the Ulster County Department of Health a five-year contract (DOH01-C39934GM-3450000) for the Lead Rental Registry program in the amount of \$558,200 per year for the contract term April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Rental Registry Program funds will be used to staff positions, purchase (2) vehicles, (3) XRF lead paint analyzers, office & program supplies and staff apparel that will ensure the success of the Department of Health to fulfill the mandated obligations of the program; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director requests that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to execute a five-year contract (Contract No. DOH01-C39934GM-3450000) and any amendments thereto, for the period April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2029, in the amount of \$2,791,000.00, with the New York State Department of Health to fund the implementation of the Lead Rental Registry Program; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that if funding for this program is eliminated, the Commissioner of Finance shall, immediately upon discovery, send written notification to the Clerk of the Legislature, and the relevant Department Head shall attend the next regular meeting of the Ways and Means Committee to assist the Committee in review and evaluation for determination of the program's continuance,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Passed Committee: Health, Human Services and Human Rights on _____.

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$ 976,850.00– BUDGETED 2025 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 976,850.00– BUDGETED 2025 STATE REVENUE DOLLARS

\$ 558,200.00– ANTICIPATED 2026 – 2029 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
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