

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal 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 (Chairwoman Eckert and Legislators Collins, Haynes, Heppner, and Ronk), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairwoman Archer and Legislators Donaldson, Gerentine, Maio, Joseph Maloney, Petit, and Ronk)

Chairwoman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Lynn Eckert, and Deputy Chair Kenneth Ronk, Jr. offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the Ulster County Sheriff; and

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 Ulster County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, local municipalities have been invited to participate in URGENT and have been given an intermunicipal 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 intermunicipal agreement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an intermunicipal agreement and any related amendments with the various municipalities participating in the county-wide URGENT task force, for the term beginning April 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2022, 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 Counsel to the County Legislature, Chair of the County Legislature, and the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, that additional municipalities that desire to participate shall be added as additional signatories to the intermunicipal agreement upon review and authorization by the County Attorney, in consultation with Counsel to the County Legislature, Chair of the County Legislature, and the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Postponed in Committee: Ways and Means for One Week on November 12, 2019

Postponed in Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on November 13, 2019

Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on _____.

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE