Resolution No. 485 September 20, 2022

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Accept Funding From The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For The Aid To Prosecution Program – District Attorney

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

Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Abe Uchitelle, 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 Ulster County District Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the County of Ulster and the State of New York had previously entered into an agreement for the Aid to Prosecution Program, in the amount of \$79,380.00, for the purpose of improving the prosecution of repeat violent and serious felony offenders, the term of which expired March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York has now appropriated additional funds to continue such program for an additional twelve months in the amount of \$79,380.00, for the period April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney is requesting that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to accept the funding of \$79,380.00 with the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services to renew the Aid to Prosecution Program; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services has automatically disbursed to Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services requires that the money continue to support improvements to the prosecution of repeat violent and serious felony offenders; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services will not require a contract, nor will it be necessary for the Ulster County District Attorney's Office to submit reimbursement vouchers for payment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to accept the funding in the amount of \$79,380.00 for the Aid to Prosecution Program with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

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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 move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on September 8, 2022

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on September 13, 2022

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$79,380.00 - BUDGETED 2022 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS \$79,380.00 - BUDGETED 2022 STATE REVENUE 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 20th Day of September in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Two, 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 22^{nd} Day of September in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Two.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this 22nd Day of September 2022.

Approved by the Acting County Executive this 23rd Day of September 2022.

<u>|s| Victoria A. Fabella</u> Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk Ulster County Legislature <u>|s| Johanna Contreras</u> Johanna Contreras, Acting County Executive