Resolution No. 486 September 19, 2023

Approving An Additional Appropriation For The 2023-2024 Ulster County Community College Budget To Offset Tuition Increase – SUNY Ulster

WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR

Referred to: The Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture Committee (Chairman Cahill and Legislators Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Litts, Maloney and Sperry), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Roberts, and Ronk)

Legislator Eric Stewart offers the following:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 331 of 2023 approved the 2023-2024 Ulster County Community College Budget, as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature, in the amount of \$29,251,881 providing for a contribution by Ulster County in the amount of \$6,900,863 with; and

WHEREAS, the approved Budget included a full-time tuition increase of \$100 per semester, and a \$20 increase per part-time credit, generating an additional \$267,346 in tuition revenue; and

WHEREAS, many the residents of Ulster County continue facing economic hardships from the cost of increased inflation and the continued effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, members of the public have subsequently communicated with the Legislative body to express hardship with the increased cost of tuition; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature deems it necessary and appropriate to offset the increase in tuition for the 2023-2024 college fiscal year to provide a greater support to families, to provide for a greater timespan before the increase sets in, and to offset the hardship triggered by recent inflationary pressures; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby approves an additional contribution to the Ulster County Community College by Ulster County in the amount of \$267,346.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2023 Ulster County Operating Budget is hereby amended as follows:

| INCREASE | AMOUNT |
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| and move its adoption. | | |
| | ADOPTED BY THE | E FOLLOWING VOTE: |
| | AYES: | NOES: |
| Postponed in Committee: Econor Arts and Agriculture on Septemb | _ | nning, Education, Employment |
| Passed Committee: Economic De and Agriculture on | evelopment, Planning, | Education, Employment, Arts |
| Passed Committee: Ways and Mo | eans on | |
| FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$267,346.00 – INCREASE TO A \$267,346.00 – INCREASE TO T | THE 2023 - 2024 ULS | |