

**Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Transportation To Accept New York State Funds For Ulster And Dutchess County Public Transit Service (LINK) – Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)**

Referred to: The Public Works, Capital Projects and Transportation Committee (Chairwoman Petit and Legislators Erner, Fabiano, Litts, and Nolan), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Roberts, and Ronk)

Chairwoman of the Public Works, Capital Projects and Transportation Committee, Laura Petit, and Deputy Chair Dean J. Fabiano offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Department of Public Transportation; and

WHEREAS, funding is provided annually by NYSDOT to ensure continuing public transit service connecting Ulster and Dutchess Counties, including service to the Metro-North Train Station, for a period of one year, and expanding service in the NYS Route 9W corridor, with the Kingston to Poughkeepsie LINK; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Transportation has received notification that the New York State Department of Transportation will reimburse eligible costs not to exceed \$360,000.00; and

WHEREAS, UCAT has budgeted \$360,000.00 of this aid in the 2024 budget and expects to apply for reimbursement of its costs equal to \$360,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Ulster County Area Transit requests that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to execute an agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation (Project ID# 8824.16) for the term January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$360,000.00; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Department of Transportation to accept reimbursement for the operation of the LINK service (Project ID # 8824.16) including Saturday Service in an amount not to exceed \$360,000.00, in form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

and moves its adoption.

