

Endorsing The Establishment Of ProAct Discount Prescription Drug Card Program And ProAct Discount Vision, Lasik And Hearing Discount Program For Residents Of Ulster County And Authorizing The County Of Ulster To Execute An Agreement With ProAct, Inc., For Said Programs

The Health and Human Services Committee (Chairman Frey and Legislators Harris, Petit, Ronk, Briggs, Robert Parete and Stoeckeler) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) has endorsed a County Discount Prescription Drug Card Program administered by ProAct, Inc., a subsidiary of Kinney Drugs, Inc., and

WHEREAS, ProAct, Inc., is a full service pharmacy benefit management company with a reputation for exceptional service, and a focus on the education of its members to manage healthcare costs, and

WHEREAS, the mission of ProAct, Inc., is to provide the highest quality pharmacy benefit management services at a fair and competitive price to the clients they serve; to satisfy the needs of their clients and to be responsive to the needs and goals of their employees; to manage the resources of their company to insure a fair and equitable return on investment to their stock holders; and to plan and provide for continued growth, and

WHEREAS, by participating in ProAct Discount Program(s) Ulster County can provide reduced medicine costs for residents of the County who struggle on a daily basis to afford necessary medicine, and

WHEREAS, this is a voluntary program and is FREE to County residents; The Discount Card Program is not insurance, but offers residents a cash discount for individuals and families who pay high out-of-pocket prices for medicine because they do not have prescription drug coverage or if a prescription is not covered by your current insurance program, and

WHEREAS, there is no charge of any sort to Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the discount card can be used at any participating pharmacy in the area and nationwide, and

WHEREAS, the discount program covers all prescriptions medications, brand name or generic; and Prescriptions for pets are also covered, and

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WHEREAS, ProAct, Inc., also offers a discount vision, lasik and hearing discount program whereby members and their families will receive significant savings on eye exams, frames, lenses and contacts; laser vision correction procedures; and hearing products and services, and

WHEREAS, a service agreement is necessary to make prescription drug discount cards available to all Ulster County residents without regard to age, income, or employment status, and at no expense to the card holder, and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 8, 2010, the County Executive has consented to assist the Legislature in the implementation and administration of the Legislative initiative, be it

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby endorses the establishment of a prescription drug discount card program and a discount vision, LASIK and hearing discount program with ProAct, Inc., 633 Route 298, East Syracuse, New York, for the purpose of administering a prescription drug discount card program and a discount vision, lasik and hearing discount program at no expense to Ulster County for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County of Ulster shall, at its option, have the ability to renew said agreement for two additional one (1) year terms, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized representative may execute any and such agreement, documents, or papers, in the form to be filed with the Clerk of the Ulster Legislature, and as approved or modified by the County Attorney, as may be necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this Resolution,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 31 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Frey and Wadnola)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

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STATE OF NEW YORK
ss:
COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 20th day of April, 2010, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 21st Day of April in the year Two Thousand and Ten.

/s/ Karen L. Binder
Karen L. Binder, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
21st Day of April, 2010.

/s/ Karen L. Binder
Karen L. Binder, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Approved by the County Executive this
30th Day of April, 2010.

/s/ Michael P. Hein
Michael P. Hein, County Executive