Resolution No. 179 June 11, 2008

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With Department Of State For 2008 Shared Municipal Services Incentive Contract For Grant Funds To Support An "Ulster County-wide Shared Services Feasibility Study & Implementation Plan" – Amending The 2008 Ulster County Budget – County Administration

The Laws and Rules Committee (Chairman Bischoff and Legislators Decker, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Cummings, Maloney and Roberts) and the Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Lomita and Legislators Cahill, Dart, Gregorius, Provenzano, Zimet, Cummings, Gerentine and Noonan) offer the following:

WHEREAS, New York Department of State has awarded a Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant to Ulster County to act as Lead Agency to complete an Ulster Countywide Shared Service Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan, and

WHEREAS, eleven municipalities including the County, the City of Kingston (City) and the Towns of Denning, Hardenburgh, Hurley, Marbletown, Marlborough, Rosendale, Saugerties, Ulster, and Wawarsing (Towns), will oversee a study that will develop a Plan to identify, address, and improve County-wide services, and

WHEREAS, all municipalities named above and by adopted resolutions shall be responsible for providing to the County copies of all municipal department budgets, staffing plans, development plans, service subcontracts, and any or all other information relating to the development of the "Ulster County-wide Shared Service Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan"; Each municipality shall also be responsible for ensuring government representation and participation in the study's development and implementation, and

WHEREAS, representatives from the eleven municipalities, as evidenced by adopted resolutions from each unit of government will form a Community Advisory Committee to provide administrative oversight of the study and plan development, and

WHEREAS, any municipality not identified in the grant may still pass a resolution to participate in the plan, and

WHEREAS, the Study will research, identify and review the municipal services provided by the County and by each municipality named above. From this information an informative analysis will be completed describing areas where combining space and/or service, would result in positive outcomes including a cost savings and/or an increase in the quality and amount of service delivery. The study and implementation plan shall consist of a public process, work plan and preliminary project schedule for implementing short and long-term shared objectives, and

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to request the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature execute a contract with New York Department of State for the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant and to authorize the County to act as Lead Agency to complete Ulster County-wide Shared Services Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan, the cost of which is \$289,800.00, which is 90% reimbursable from New York State, and

WHEREAS, the Laws and Rules Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and.

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is authorized to execute all other documents necessary for the implementation of this work, and is also authorized to execute all financial and/or administrative processes relating to the grant program, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

RESOLVED, that the 2008 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

CREATE

A3-1071-3655 (Rev. #)	SA, Grants	
A4-1071-4400 (App. #)	Other Fees for Professional Services	
	INCREASE	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1071-3655 (Rev. #)	SA, Grants County Administration	\$260,820.00
A4-1071-4400 (App. #)	Other Fees For Professional Services	\$260,820.00

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TRANSFER

FROM		AMOUNT
A4-1331-4553 (App. #)	Contingent Account	\$ 28,980.00
<u>TO</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1071-4400 (App. #)	Other Fees For Professional Services	\$ 28,980.00
and moves its adoption.		

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 30 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Kraft, Roberti and Sheeley)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$289,800.00 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$260,820.00 – ADDITIONAL STATE REVENUES

\$ 28,980.00 - COUNTY DOLLARS

TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

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