Resolution No. 191 May 9, 2007

Requesting The Establishment Of A Permanent Field Office Site For The Ex-Offenders In Ulster County

The Criminal Justice and Safety Committee (Chairman Dart and Legislators Distel, Gregorius, R.A. Parete, Zimet, Aiello and Every) offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 430 dated December 6, 2006, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature was authorized to create a Local Re-Entry Task Force and appoint a Chairman of said Task Force, and

WHEREAS, the Chairman and the Co-Chairman of said Task Force are requesting the establishment of a permanent field office for ex-offenders in Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, currently no field office exists in Ulster County and ex-offenders must travel to Dutchess County to see their Parole Officers, and

WHEREAS, a desirable location for ex-offenders should not be near schools or day care centers, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature supports establishing a permanent location for a field office for ex-offenders in Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the ideal location would be on Golden Hill near the old County Jail or another location that is desirable, and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice and Safety Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature requests that the oversight agency for paroled offenders, the New York State Division of Parole, assume its statutory authority and secure and operate a field office for these paroled offenders in Ulster County, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature will forward a copy of this resolution to New York State Governor Spitzer and the Parole Chairman in Albany, New York,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislator Loughran)

Legislator Distel motioned, seconded by Legislator Dart to replace the "RESOLVED, that it is the responsibility of the Ulster County Legislature to assist in finding a location for a field office for ex-offenders in Ulster County, and" with the "RESOLVED" as shown in the resolution above.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislator Loughran)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE

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