Authorizing The Chairman To Execute A Memorandum Of Understanding Between The New York State Division Of Human Rights And The Commission On Human Relations For Ulster County For Intake Relationship

The Human Development and Personnel Committee (Chairman Gregorius and Legislators Loughran, Provenzano, Terpening, Hansut, Noonan and Terrizzi) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Human Rights (herein and after known as the "Division") and the Commission of Human Rights for the County of Ulster (herein and after known as the "Commission") are committed to preventing and fighting discrimination in the County of Ulster through, among other ways, enhancing services to those who avail themselves or wish to avail themselves of the rights and protections accorded by the New York State Human Rights Law (herein and after known as the "Law"), and

WHEREAS, specifically the "Division" has jurisdiction over allegations of discrimination under the New York Executive Law, Article 15 (Human Rights Law), and the "Commission" has authority under General Municipal Law, Article 12D, to, among other things, assist the "Division" in educating the public generally on the "Law" and the "Division's" responsibilities and work in enforcing that Law, and to assist those individuals who believe that they have or could have a valid claim under the "Law" in completing and submitting complaints with the "Division" that meet the requirement of the "Law", and

WHEREAS, in light of the shared mission and goals of the "Division" and the "Commission" to prevent and fight discrimination of the State of New York, including specifically the County of Ulster, and to enhance services to alleged victims of discrimination, and in consideration and recognition that an enhanced State discrimination complaint process furthers both the "Division's" and the "Commission's" mission and work, the parties desire to enter into the annexed Memorandum of Understanding (herein and after known as the "MOU"), to establish an intake relationship between the "Division" and the "Commission" on the terms set forth in the annexed "MOU", unless this "MOU" is modified or terminated before that date pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth therein, and

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

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute the annexed Memorandum of Understanding between the New York State Division of Human Rights and the Commission of Human Rights for

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Ulster County for Intake Relationship, in the 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.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 28 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators Aiello, Lomita, R.A. Parete, Roberti and Sheeley)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE

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STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ULSTER

ss:

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 10^{th} Day of June, 2009, 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 12th Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Nine.

<u>|s| Mary L. Carey</u> Mary L. Carey, Clerk Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this

12th Day of June, 2009.

Approved by the County Executive this

18th Day of June, 2009.

<u>|s| Michael P. Hein</u> Michael P. Hein, County Executive

<u>|s| Mary L. Carey</u> Mary L. Carey, Clerk Ulster County Legislature