Resolution No. 245 July 12, 2006

Adopting The Ulster County Area Transit System Safety Plan For The County's Public Transit System – Ulster County Area Transit

The Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Rodriguez and Legislators Berardi, Gregorius, Loughran, Sheeley, Alfonso and Roberti) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Public Transit System has grown from a 6 (six) mini bus system in 1977 to a 21 (twenty-one) mini to large size vehicle fleet at an estimated cost of \$2,600,000.00, and a transit center staff of 35 employees, by year 2006, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Public Transit System is operated by the Ulster County Area Transit Agency formally known as the Ulster County Rural Transportation Agency, and has grown over the years to almost 170,000 passengers annually, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has recently completed the construction of a 23,400 square foot Transit Center to support the Ulster County located at the Golden Hill Complex, a Federal Transit Facility, at a cost of approximately \$7,400,000.00, and

WHEREAS, given the federal and other public funding sources and nature of transit operations, it is necessary for the County to provide a System Safety Plan for the Ulster County Area Transit Program, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Transit for the Ulster County Area Transit in cooperation with the Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds, and the County Safety Officer has produced a final draft of a System Safety Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Transit now requests the Ulster County Legislature approve and adopt the System Safety Plan, as written or modified by the County Attorney, and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

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RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby approves and adopts the Ulster County Area Transit System Safety Plan, to be review annually, 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: 32 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislator Aiello)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE

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