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Monroe County, New York

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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
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Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the 2021-2022 Aid to Crime Laboratories Grant Program (Office of the Medical Examiner)

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$102,108 for the 2021-2022 Aid to Crime Laboratories Grant Program related to the Office of the Medical Examiner for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The purpose of the current grant is to support ongoing services provided by the Office of the Medical Examiner's Forensic Toxicology Laboratory ("Tox Lab"), provide the quality control oversight required to maintain American Board of Forensic Toxicology accreditation and New York State certification, and assist the Tox Lab in reducing backlogs related to instrumentation. The Tox Lab serves law enforcement agencies, the District Attorney's office, and constituents in the County.

Funds will be used for preventive and routine maintenance and repair service on a Liquid Chromatograph/Mass Spectrometer/Mass Spectrometer instrument, which enhances the analytical capabilities of the Tox Lab. Additionally, this grant provides funding for salary and benefits of existing staff. This will be the twenty-fifth year the County has received this grant. This year's funding represents the same amount as last year.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$102,108 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the 2021-2022 Aid to Crime Laboratories Grant Program related to the Office of the Medical Examiner for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

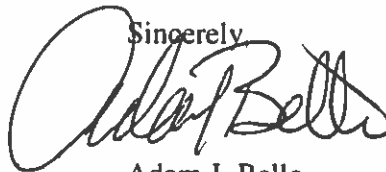
2. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, and to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.
3. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this grant is included in the 2021 operating budget of the Department of Public Health, general fund 9300, funds center 5804020000, Forensic Laboratory.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely


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