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Committee Assignment

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To The Honorable Monroe County Legislature 407 County Office Building Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Amend Resolution 282 of 2021 to Accept Additional Funding from the United States Department of the Treasury for the Emergency Rental Assistance 2 Program, Monroe County

Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 282 of 2021 to accept additional funding from the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") in the amount of \$225,900.63 for the Emergency Rental Assistance 2 Program (ERA2), Monroe County Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 for the period of March 11, 2021 through September 30, 2025.

Your Honorable Body accepted an initial ERA2 award of \$22,050,597.30 in August 2021 and used that funding to support the Monroe County Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 (EPPI 2.0). Under the EPPI 2.0 program, Monroe County covered up to fifteen months' rent and utilities arrears for eligible households, and up to three months future rent and utilities where ongoing housing stability is at risk.

The Treasury has been monitoring actual spending of ERA2 funding and offered municipalities the opportunity to apply for additional funding from reallocated under-spending of other governments. Monroe County applied for reallocated funding and has been granted an additional \$225,900.63 bringing the total ERA2 award to \$22,276,497.93. At this time, Monroe County intends to use its remaining ERA2 funding, including this additional award, to provide legal services to those facing eviction.

Monroe County's EPPI 2.0 is also funded by the first iteration of the Treasury's Emergency Rental Assistance program, ERA1. Under ERA1, Monroe County has received to date a total of \$24,156,425.99 (combined City and County allocations), which must be fully obligated by December 29, 2022. With this new reallocated award, the combined ERA1 and ERA2 funding for the Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 is now a total of \$46,432,923.92.

The specific legislative actions required are to:

1. Amend Resolution 282 of 2021 to accept additional funding from the United States Department of the Treasury for the Emergency Rental Assistance 2 Program in the amount of \$225,900.63 for a total award of \$22,276,497.93.

2. Amend the 2022 operating budget of the Department of Finance by appropriating the sum of \$225,900.63, into general fund 9001, funds center 1209070200, Emergency Rental Assistance.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to §6 NYCRR 617.5(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.

This grant is 100% funded by United States Department of the Treasury. No net County support is required in the Monroe County budget.

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

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