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Monroe County Legislature 407 County Office Building Rochester, New York 14614

To The Honorable

Subject:

Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability

Assistance for the Pandemic Emergency Assistance Program

## Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance in the amount of \$1,592,590 for the Pandemic Emergency Assistance Program for the period of January 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022.

The New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance will issue payments to help needy families purchase diapers and to help certain households containing an adult 55 years of age or older purchase additional food. Temporary Assistance ("TA") and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP") households who meet the required criteria will receive a payment of \$140 per eligible child for the diaper supplement. Required criteria for the diaper supplement is as follows: a child under age three at any time during the month of January 2022; active on an open TA or SNAP case during the month of January 2022; and the TA or SNAP case remains open on the date of issuance. TA and SNAP households who meet the required criteria will receive a payment of \$730 for the multi-generational food payments. Required criteria for the multi-generational food payment is as follows: older adult is age 55 or older during the month of March 2022; the older adult is active on an opening TA or SNAP case that also includes at least one child age 17 or under at any time during the month of March 2022; and the TA or SNAP case remains open on the date of issuance. This is the first time Monroe County has received this grant.

## The specific legislative actions required are:

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$1,592,590 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for the Pandemic Emergency Assistance Program for the period of January 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022.
- 2. Amend the 2022 operating budget of the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services, by appropriating the sum of \$1,592,590 into general fund 9001, funds center 5111010000, Family Assistance.

- 3. 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 grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.
- 4. 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 of 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

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance. No 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.

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