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

Subject: Amend Resolution 324 of 2023 Authorize a Contract with the North American Family Institute for the Youth and Police Engagement Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 324 of 2023 to amend a contract with the North American Family Institute ("NAFI") in an amount not to exceed \$198,000 for a youth and police engagement program for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

Your Honorable Body approved the Monroe County Department of Public Safety's Youth and Police Engagement Program as part of the County's American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funding under Resolution No. 342 of 2022. The goal of the program is to create positive change and improve the relationships between police departments, youth, and other law enforcement representatives. Ultimately, these improved relationships will increase trust between the community and law enforcement and help to mitigate a youth's involvement in the justice system. In addition, the program will develop youth leadership and advocacy skills while fostering a positive relationship between youth and the law enforcement officers that work in their communities.

Your Honorable Body further authorized the contract with NAFI pursuant to Resolution No. 324 of 2023. NAFI works with officers and teenagers from mainstream and alternative public schools, neighborhood organizations, probation departments, youth development programs, and housing developments with documented success. Its program has been implemented in many cities across the United States, including communities in downstate New York. The youth and police model offers training, train-the-trainer model services, coaching, curriculum, and materials to participating agencies.

Amending Resolution No. 324 of 2023 to authorize a three-year term of the contract, from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026, is necessary to meet ARPA requirements that all ARPA funding be obligated by December 31, 2024. Resolution No. 324 of 2023 originally authorized a one-year term in the amount not to exceed \$90,000, with the option of two one-year renewals in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 in the second year and \$18,000 in the third year.

The specific legislative action required is to amend Resolution 324 of 2023 to amend a contract with the North American Family Institute, 90 Maple Street Unit 2, Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180, for a youth and police engagement program in an amount not to exceed \$198,000 for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

This 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 agreement is included in the 2024 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, general fund 9301, funds center 2403020100 Juvenile Services Family Division, and will be requested in future years' budgets. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

NAFI is a not-for-profit agency and the records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that it does not owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

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

Sincerely,


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