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MONROE COUNTY, NEW YORK

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

Subject:

Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the 2016 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program

(Monroe County Crime Lab)

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 \$24,112, for the 2016 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program, for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

This program provides funding for the Monroe County Crime Laboratory to fund accreditation expenses, overtime for existing positions and travel for training, which will improve the quality and timeliness of forensic services and reduce the backlog of cases. This is the fifteenth year the County has received this grant. This year's funding represents an increase of \$2,570 from last year.

The specific legislative actions required are:

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or her designee, to accept a \$24,112 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, for the 2016 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program (Monroe County Crime Lab), for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.
- 2. Amend the 2017 operating budget of the Monroe County Department of Public Safety by appropriating the sum of \$24,112 into general fund 9300, funds center 2408040100, Monroe County Crime Laboratory.

- 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 the 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.

Environmental assessments were completed for this action and it was determined that there would be no significant effect on the environment.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. 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.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Dinolfo

Monroe County Executive

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