

**Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Contracts And Agreements With The New York State Office For Small Cities (NYSOSC), Cornell Cooperative Extension Of Ulster County (CCEUC) And Others For The Purpose Of Effectuating A Farmworker Housing Rehabilitation Program**

The Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Rodriguez and Legislators Berardi, Gregorius, Loughran, Sheeley, Alfonso and Roberti) offers the following:

WHEREAS, Agriculture is an important component of Ulster County's economy that requires both seasonal and year round farmworkers that are housed on the farm, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County in its desire to ensure that safe and decent housing is available to farmworkers, while at the same time preserving the economic vitality of the agricultural community submitted an application to fund a Farmworker Housing Rehabilitation Project to the New York State Office for Small Cities (hereinafter referred to as NYSOSC) in April 2007, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has received notice that it has been awarded \$600,000.00 consistent with this application, and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to enter into necessary contracts/agreements with NYSOSC, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County, and others as necessary, in the form as filed with the Clerk of Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney to carry out the program and projects as provided for in the grant award including amendments, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is authorized to act as certifying officer with regard to grant administration documents including required filing, program changes, approving authorized signatures or other activities necessary for the implementation and completion of the grant,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislator Felicello)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$600,000.00 – FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS

PASS THROUGH FROM NYS OFFICE OF SMALL CITIES