Resolution No. 250 August 13, 2008

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Amendments To Agreements With The Various New York State Government Agencies For Reduction Of State Revenues To Counties During The State Fiscal Year 2008/2009

The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Lomita and Legislators Cahill, Dart, Gregorius, Provenzano, Zimet, Cummings, Gerentine and Noonan) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the State of New York passed the State Budget on April 1, 2008, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Budget has cut up to approximately 2% of State Revenues on contracts for State Assistance to Ulster County, except for Medicaid, education and welfare entitlements, and

WHEREAS, it has not yet been determined by New York State Agencies which contracts with Counties are affected, and

WHEREAS, State Agencies are amending existing and pending contracts with Counties by reducing state aid by approximately 2%, and

WHEREAS, it is requested that resolutions which authorize the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute contracts also include authorization to execute any contract amendments from New York State Agencies, for 2% reductions of the State Aid so long as such amendments do not increase the County’s share of the cost of the programs related to the contract, or extend the period of time of the contract, or increase the scope of the work plan for the contract, 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 execute any contract amendments from New York State Agencies, for 2% reductions of the State Assistance so long as such amendments do not increase the County’s share of the cost of the programs related to the contract, or extend the period of time of the contract, or increase the scope of the work plan for the contract,
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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32   NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator R.A. Parete)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
$0.00 – COUNTY DOLLARS

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