Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement And Any Amendments To The Agreement With The New York State Office Of Homeland Security For FY08 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) – Anti Terrorism Funds – Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

The Criminal Justice and Safety Committee (Chairman Dart and Legislators Briggs, R.A. Parete, Zimet, Hansut, Maloney and Ronk) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Homeland Security is prepared to award Ulster County $284,250.00 from the FY08 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and

WHEREAS, the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) will provide Ulster County with $284,250.00 to support planning, equipment, training, and exercise needs associated with the preparedness and prevention activities for terrorist events using weapons of mass destruction involving biological, nuclear, incendiary, chemical, explosive and radiological materials, and

WHEREAS, this program provides an excellent opportunity to improve the readiness capabilities of Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the grant requires no matching County dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Anti-Terrorism Task Force, through consensus, will prioritize investment justifications, and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice and Safety Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of members voting approval, and

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

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendments to the agreement with the New York State Office of Homeland Security for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) FY08, in the amount of $284,250.00, as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, if funding for this program is eliminated, the position (and/or program) will be eliminated as well,
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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:   31    NOES:   0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello and Kraft)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
$284,250.00 – 2009 FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS (STATE PASS THROUGH)
$284,250.00 – 2009 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS
$ 0.00 – 2009 COUNTY DOLLARS