

**RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Legislature called to order by Chairman Stammel at: **6:05 p.m.**

**Meeting was tele-conferenced using Zoom.**

**Roll Call:**           Present:           19

                  Absent:           0

**Invocation:**       Mr. Grant

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:** Mr. Grimm

On motion of Mr. Herrington, duly seconded, the reading of the minutes of Regular Meeting of March 9, 2021 was dispensed with and approved as printed.

**MEETING AGENDA**

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**PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS:**           (on file in Clerk's Office)

**REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:**                   (on file in Clerk's Office)

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**                   (on file in Clerk's Office)

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**           (on file in Clerk's Office)

**LOCAL LAWS:**                               **None**

**INDEX OF RESOLUTIONS:**                   Attached

**LEGISLATOR'S PRIVILEGE:**                   **Peter Grimm**

**ADJOURNMENT:**                               **6:20 p.m.**

**"Say NO to Drugs"**

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# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/113/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT - DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS**, As a result of the COVID-19 global pandemic and the challenges faced by the Department of Social Services ("Department") administration over the past year, the Department seeks to replace desktop computers with laptops that include docking stations, in order to adapt to temporary changes of the work environment; and

**WHEREAS**, By providing staff with laptops, employees can effectively perform their duties remotely with a secure internet connection; and

**WHEREAS**, The Department's 2021 Adopted Budget, as well as its Capital Projects Program, include the replacement purchase of fifty-two (52) laptops with docking stations; and

**WHEREAS**, The New York State Office of Information Technology Services ("ITS") provides secure networking and support for the Department; and

**WHEREAS**, ITS requires counties to purchase the Enterprise desktop model from the Aggregate Buy as they are configured to accept the New York State OneImage, the operating system with software configuration to run necessary State programs; and

**WHEREAS**, The Department received a quotation from Lenovo, Inc., PO Box 643055, Pittsburgh, PA 15264, under the New York State Information Technology Aggregate Hardware Buy 2018 Agreement (RFQ 18-01), contract number PM21120, for fifty-two (52) Lenovo L14 laptops with ThinkPad docking station, wired combo keyboard/mouse and ThinkVision 21.5" monitor, at a unit cost of \$852.60, for a total of \$44,335.20; and

**WHEREAS**, The purchase will be in accordance with Rensselaer County Purchasing Procedures and funded within appropriation code A.6010.02400; now, therefore, be it

Resolution No. G/113/21

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**RESOLVED**, That the Director of Central Services, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced purchase order.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/21/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Janica L. Chan  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved ☐  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/114/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BRIGHTSIDE UP, INC. - DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** The Department of Social Services ("Department") is mandated by New York State to provide registration and inspection of day care homes; and

**WHEREAS,** The Department is desirous of entering into a contract with Brightside Up, Inc. to recruit and train prospective family day care homes and school age childcare providers; and

**WHEREAS,** Brightside Up, Inc. will fulfill the requirements of fingerprinting, criminal history record check, employment history documentation, personal and employment references, and New York State Central Register Child and Abuse screening; and

**WHEREAS,** The New York State Office of Children and Family Services approves the Department entering into a Day Care Registration Memorandum of Understanding with Brightside Up, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS,** The amount of this contract is 100% reimbursable with Federal Child Care funding; and

**WHEREAS,** The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR/ADDRESS</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Registration & Inspection of Day Care Homes 1/1/21-12/31/21	Brightside Up, Inc. formerly Capital District Child Care Coordinating Council) 91 Broadway Menands, NY 12204	A.6010.04900	not to exceed \$130,829.00

; now, therefore, be it

Resolution No. G/114/21

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**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19  
**Nays:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Amica L. Chan  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

F. M. [Signature]  
County Executive



# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/115/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Mental Health has awarded Rensselaer County \$145,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Veteran Peer-to-Peer Program in coordination with Hudson Valley Community College for a second year; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such agreement, the source of funding the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT</u> <u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u> <u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Veteran Peer-to-Peer Program (01/01/2021 - 12/31/2021)	Hudson Valley Community College 80 Vandenburg Ave Troy NY 12180	A.4320.04800	\$ 145,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

### 2021 GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4320.34901 Mental Health State Aid	\$816,012.00	\$145,000.000	\$961,012.00

## 2021 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4320.04800			
Contractual Expense	\$ 67,500.00	\$145,000.000	\$212,500.00

; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced Agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chance  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/116/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH START CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC. AND  
AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET  
- DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** The New York State Office of Children and Family Services ("OCFS") works to combat human trafficking through efforts that include the Safe Harbour Project, which assists local social services and volunteer agencies in developing and providing services such as safe housing, emergency housing, mental health counseling, medical care, substance abuse counseling and education, and employment skills for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation; and

**WHEREAS,** OCFS trains those that work in child welfare, law enforcement and other fields to look for signs that a young person may be a victim of human trafficking; and

**WHEREAS,** OCFS now requires that child welfare workers screen children in their care and those they encounter through child protective services to determine if they have been victims of sex trafficking or are at risk of being victimized so that those children can be referred for services to address their victimization or to prevent future victimization, which are important steps in combatting sex trafficking of children in foster care and children who have experienced abuse and/or neglect; and

**WHEREAS,** Prior to New York Social Services Law §447-B (2015), (the Act), sexually exploited youth involved in illegal activities did not receive the protection of family court and were instead prosecuted criminally, thereby further traumatizing these victims; and

**WHEREAS,** Once incarcerated, sexually exploited youth had no access to services that could address their specific social and emotional needs, and as a result would often return to a life on the streets once released; and

**WHEREAS,** The passage of the Act guaranteed that sexually exploited youth would be treated as child victims and be offered services that could pave the way for better outcomes; and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS awarded Rensselaer County an allocation of \$34,000.00 to continue its Safe Harbour program plans; and

**WHEREAS**, START Children's Center, Inc. has been identified by the Department in accordance with County Purchasing Procedures as the only source available to provide such service, and the Department of Social Services wishes to continue to contract with the START Children's Center to administer Rensselaer County's Safe Harbour Project, which includes community awareness, identifying youth through screening and providing continued training of the Critical Team task force, as well as community training; and

**WHEREAS**, The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION &amp; DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR/ADDRESS</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Safe Harbour Program 1/1/21-12/31/21	START Children's Center, Inc. 127 Bloomingrove Drive 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor North Troy, NY 12180	A.6070.04747	\$34,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

#### GENERAL FUND REVENUES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Soc Ser Administration-SA A.6010.36101	\$1,667,037.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$1,701,037.00

#### GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Department of Social Services - Purchase of Services A.6070.04747 Child Preventive Services	\$1,869,273.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$1,903,273.00

; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED** by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/21/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Charo  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

St. F. M. [Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Service

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/117/21

## RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DISTRICT ATTORNEY

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** The District Attorney's Office has a staff of investigators whose duties include supplementing cases already presented by federal, state and local law enforcement agencies as well as assisting the attorneys with trial preparation, witness management, evidence management and acting as liaisons between the office and the various police agencies working in the County; and

**WHEREAS,** These individuals are also responsible for office security and confidentiality; and

**WHEREAS,** Due to an investigator that retired in 2020, there is currently a vacant Special Investigator (Confidential) position that is less than full-time; and

**WHEREAS,** This position was budgeted for 2021 and remains open due to the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** The District Attorney's Office requests legislative authorization to combine two (2) less than full-time Special Investigator (Confidential) positions into one (1) full-time position; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That two (2) of the three (3) budgeted less than full-time Special Investigator (Confidential) positions be combined into one (1) full-time position in order to enhance productivity in the office; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, This Resolution will result in the District Attorney's Office having authority for three (3) full-time and one (1) less than full-time Special Investigator (Confidential) positions within the 2021 Adopted Budget.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 2/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Charro  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Bendett, Fleming

Sent To: Planning & Tourism

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/118/21

## RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

**WHEREAS**, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS**, Per Resolution G/256/20, the County of Rensselaer was granted and accepted \$121,818.00 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020 Federal financial assistance for its public mass transportation service in the Towns of Brunswick, Pittstown and Hoosick and the Village of Hoosick Falls, for the period of January 20, 2020 through December 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, The entire grant budget was initially allocated in 2020, and, as such, there are unexpended funds which need to be budgeted within 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, This program is fully funded through Federal monies and will produce no fiscal impact on Rensselaer County; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the 2021 Adopted Rensselaer County Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

### GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.5630.35894 CARES Transit Relief	\$ 0.00	\$ 52,164.00	\$ 52,164.00

### GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.5630.04705 Bus Operations - CARES Transit Relief	\$ 0.00	\$ 52,164.00	\$ 52,164.00

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chan  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive



# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/119/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT FOR MONITORING SERVICE OF THE GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM - BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS**, Authorization to contract for global positioning system (GPS) monitoring services for the County's fleet of vehicles was previously granted via Resolution Nos. G/267/18, G/114/19 and G/106/20, New York State Office of General Services ("NYSOGS") made updates to the contract for an extension through June 30, 2021 and the Bureau of Central Services (the "Department") now wishes to extend the service through June 30, 2021 while the current New York State contract is still in effect; and

**WHEREAS**, The State of New York has entered into a contract for GPS Telematics and Related Services - contract number PT66910; and

**WHEREAS**, An essential component of the contracts entered into by the State provides that the respective bid prices received by the State shall be available to local governments of New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, The start and end dates of such agreement, the source of funding the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GPS Telematics and Related Services - contract number PT66910 July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021	Verizon Connect NWF, Inc., 9868 Scranton Rd., Suite 1000 San Diego, CA 92121	A.1610.04420	\$36,704.52

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Janica L. Charro  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

Shirley M. Gill  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/120/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT - BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS**, Used vehicles, heavy-duty construction/road equipment, office equipment, furniture and other miscellaneous equipment that are deteriorated are disposed of through public auction on a periodic basis as necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, Depending upon the rate of accumulation of equipment which must be disposed of and the space required for storage of equipment awaiting auction, it may often prove more beneficial and expeditious to include County equipment in outside auctions conducted by professional auction companies or dispose of items as scrap; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to include surplus equipment at either auctions within Rensselaer County, or outside of the County, whichever shall appear most expeditious or where departments may sell equipment as scrap following solicitation of competitive quotations; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, The Director of Central Services shall first determine whether said equipment may be useful to departments other than the department wishing to dispose of it and if that is the case, transfer that equipment to the department which may make use of it, upon approval of the County Executive, prior to disposal of any County surplus equipment; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That this authorization shall take effect upon approval through December 31, 2021 and any revenue generated from sale(s) of surplus equipment shall be deposited into the following revenue code(s):

- A.0000.26551
- D.5110.26551
- DM.5130.26551
- EH.0000.5188
- G.8130.26551

and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the Director of Central Services shall furnish a report of proceeds from the sale of any equipment to the County Executive and Chairman of the Legislature within 30 days from the date the sale has occurred.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Janica L. Charro  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/121/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR DEPARTMENT PAYROLL SYSTEM - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** Rensselaer County Highway Department ("Department") uses the Kronos Workforce Timekeeper system for the purpose of completing payroll for the Department's road employees and mechanics; and

**WHEREAS,** The Kronos Workforce Timekeeper hardware and software require regular system maintenance to ensure they remain operationally functional and accurate; and

**WHEREAS,** The maintenance agreement for the noted system will be through MM Hayes Co., Inc., an approved reseller and service provider of the Kronos payroll product under New York State OGS Contract; and

**WHEREAS,** The name and address of the contracting party, the start and end dates of the noted agreement, the designated source of funding, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreement, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Maintenance Agreement for Kronos Workforce Timekeeper system April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022	MM Hayes Co., Inc. 16 Sage Estate Albany, NY 12204	D.5010.04450	\$6,975.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That for the purposes of Section 3.03 of the Rensselaer County Charter, the authorization hereby provided shall be retroactive to the actual date that services were provided.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chant  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/122/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** The Highway Department ("Department") is in need of acquiring equipment to perform normal highway operations; and

**WHEREAS,** The Department requires: one (1) Wanco Full Matrix Display Message Board with radar option; and

**WHEREAS,** The Department has solicited and reviewed 3 quotes, for display message boards; and

**WHEREAS,** The name and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
Wanco Full Matrix Display Message Board W/Radar option	Robert H. Finke & Sons Inc. 1569 Route 9-W Selkirk, NY 12158	DM.5130.02400	\$16,686.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described equipment.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Janica L. Chan  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/123/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES FROM COUNTY OF SARATOGA VARIOUS HIGHWAY PAVEMENT RECLAMATION CONTRACT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department ("Department") requires surface treatments for reconstruction of portions of the County highway system; and

WHEREAS, The County of Saratoga has entered into a single year bid extension, 20-PWPR-28R, for Various Highway Pavement Reclamation: Section 1.0 Planing and Texturing Cold Milling of Asphalt Pavement; Section 2.0 Bituminous Asphalt Pavement Heating & Scarifying; Section 3.0 Full Depth Reclamation (Hammermill Process), Full Depth Following In-Place Recycled Base Course; Section 4.0 In-Place Recycled Base Course (Base Reclaiming Process); Section 5.0 Cold In-Place Recycling; Section 6.0 Cold In-Place Recycling W/Foamed Asphalt; Section 7.0 Cold In-Place Surface Recycling; Section 8.0 Test Hole; Section 9.0 Asphalt Price Adjustment, such contract also providing labor and traffic control services; and

WHEREAS, An essential component of the contracts entered into by Saratoga County provides that the respective bid prices received by the County of Saratoga shall be available to local governments of New York State; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the start and end dates of the desired agreements, the designated sources of funding being limited to budget appropriation codes D.5110.04500, D.5112.04500 and D.5112.04800, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:



<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 3.0A & 3.0B (Full Depth Reclamation Hammermill Process) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Bell & Flynn 69 Bunker Hill Ave. Stratham, NH 03885	\$25,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 4.0 (In-Place Recycled Base Course) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Port of Albany Albany, NY 12202	\$100,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 5.0 (Cold In- Place Recycling) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Port of Albany Albany, NY 12202	\$95,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 5.0 (Cold In- Place Recycling) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Peckham Road Corp 375 Bay Road Suite 201 Queensbury, NY 12804	\$75,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 7.0 (Cold In- Place Surface Recycling) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Port of Albany Albany, NY 12202	\$100,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 7.0 (Cold In- Place Surface Recycling) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Peckham Road Corp 375 Bay Road Suite 201 Queensbury, NY 12804	\$100,000.00
Various Highway Pavement Reclamation Section 8.0 (Test Hole) 1/1/21 - 12/31/21	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Port of Albany Albany, NY 12202	\$5,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services shall be authorized to sign purchase orders with the above vendors for the above-referenced materials and services; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That for the purposes of Section 3.03 of the Rensselaer County Charter, the authorization hereby provided shall be retroactive to the actual date that materials and/or services were provided.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chauvaud  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved ☐  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bendett, Casale, Doran

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/124/21

**RESOLUTION AMENDING GRANT FUNDING TIMEFRAME FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS GRANT COVID-19 RESPONSE ACTIVITIES - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**WHEREAS**, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS**, The New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH") awarded the Rensselaer County Department of Health (RCDOH) \$196,732.00 in funding through the Public Health Preparedness Grant - COVID-19 Response Activities, for the period of March 5, 2020 through March 15, 2021, per Resolution G/182/20; and

**WHEREAS**, This program is a health crisis contractual agreement essential for planning and implementing various public health preparedness initiatives in response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus); and

**WHEREAS**, NYSDOH has granted RCDOH a no cost time extension until December 31, 2021 for the expenditure of these funds; and

**WHEREAS**, This extension amends the end date of the program only, as no other terms of the grant have changed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced grant agreement extension, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chanis  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Bendett, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/125/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SNOWMOBILE TRAIL GRANT AGREEMENTS - BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer is desirous of providing recreational opportunities for its residents; and

WHEREAS, The State of New York provides Snowmobile Trail Grant funding annually to municipalities and their snowmobile trail clubs to maintain snowmobile trails open to all snowmobilers; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer, together with its snowmobile trail clubs, has applied for and received funding for the maintenance of snowmobile trails in the towns of Berlin, Grafton, Hoosick, Pittstown and Schaghticoke; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer is contracting with the Rensselaer County Snow Riders, Inc., Grafton Trail Blazers, Inc., Black River Raiders Snowmobile Club, Inc. and Stephentown Trail Riders for the project described above; and

WHEREAS, This grant is 100% State funded and will produce no fiscal impact to the County; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of the noted agreements, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the names and addresses of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Rensselaer County Snowmobile Association (9/1/20-4/30/21)	Rensselaer County Snow Riders, Inc. 100 Verbeck Avenue Schaghticoke, NY 12154	A.8020.04818	\$12,156.89

Rensselaer County Snowmobile Association (9/1/20-4/30/21)	Grafton Trail Blazers, Inc. P.O. Box 221 Grafton, NY 12082	A.8020.04818	\$15,456.00
Rensselaer County Snowmobile Association (9/1/20-4/30/21)	Black River Raiders Snowmobile Club, Inc. P.O. Box 115 Sand Lake, NY 12153	A.8020.04818	\$ 5,399.40
Rensselaer County Snowmobile Association (9/1/20-4/30/21)	Stephentown Trail Riders P.O. Box 351 Stephentown, NY 12168	A.8020.04818	\$ 3,024.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreements, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19  
**Nays:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Charette  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Peter, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/126/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE PERSONAL CARE SERVICES UNDER THE EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM (EISEP) - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - AGING

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution has been filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** The County of Rensselaer Department of Unified Family Services - Aging ("Department") provides a vast array of services to the senior residents of Rensselaer County through its main office in Troy; and

**WHEREAS,** These services include Personal Care I and II, Non-Institutional Respite and Ancillary Services which part time case managers use to assess senior needs and match available services, and

**WHEREAS,** The Department had included contractual services funds in the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget sufficient to cover these contracts; and

**WHEREAS,** The source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Personal Care I and II, Non-Institutional Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/21 - 03/31/22)	Accent Health Care Services P.O. Box 249 Troy, NY 12182	A.6777.04800	\$50,000.00
Personal Care I and II, Non-Institutional Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/21 - 03/31/22)	Adept Health Care Services 406 Fulton Street Troy, NY 12180	A.6777.04800	\$100,000.00
Personal Care I and II, Non-Institutional Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/21 - 03/31/22)	Accu-Care Home Care P.O. Box 148 Rensselaer, NY 12144	A.6777.04800	\$165,000.00

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<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Personal Care I and II, Non-Institutional Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/21- 03/31/22)	Daughter for Hire 11 Herbert Drive Latham, NY 12144	A.6777.04800	\$50,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreements, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chant  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Peter, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/127/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST. JOSEPH - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - AGING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Unified Family Services - Aging ("Department") directly provides a wide range of services to the County's senior citizens, with an emphasis on serving those most in need; and

WHEREAS, There are five (5) Senior Centers throughout the County that provide various activities and meals to our senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer Senior Center is located in the main hall of the St. John the Evangelist Parish Center; and

WHEREAS, The Department is desirous of continuing the lease agreement with St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
Lease Agreement (01/01/2021 - 12/31/2023)	St. John A.6772.04450 the Evangelist and St. Joseph 50 Herrick Street Rensselaer, New York 12144	A.6772.04450 A.6773.04450	\$50,682.42 \$50,682.42



; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee is authorized to sign the above-referenced Agreement, subject to approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Justina L. Adams  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bendett, Casale, Doran

Sent To: Health

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/128/21

## RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, A portion of grant funding within the Department of Health ("Department") was not used in 2020, and, as such, the Department wishes to roll the unexpended grant funding into the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, These programs are fully funded by State or Federal monies and will produce no fiscal impact on Rensselaer County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures, and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

### GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4017 Department of Health - Nursing</u>			
A.4017.27706 .HEROIN.2020.27706 Local Health Grants - Heroin Coalition	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,546.00	\$ 5,546.00
A.4017.34026 Public Health Preparedness	\$ 82,729.00	\$ 35,129.00	\$117,858.00
A.4017.34026 .COVID19.2020.34026 Public Health Preparedness - COVID-19 Response	\$ 40,986.00	\$ 4,473.00	\$ 45,459.00
A.4017.34026 .OCF.2019.34026 Public Health Preparedness - Opioid Crisis Funding	\$ 50,203.00	\$ 52,663.00	\$ 102,866.00

## GENERAL FUND REVENUE (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4090 Department of Health - Environmental</u>			
A.4090.34891	\$ 0.00	\$ 30,369.00	\$ 30,369.00
.ASTHMA.2017.34891			
Other Health Grants - Asthma Program			
A.4090.44011	\$ 65,747.00	\$ 12,803.00	\$ 78,550.00
.HNP.2015.44011			
Healthy Neighborhoods Program			
A.4090.44891	\$347,463.00	<u>\$591,358.00</u>	\$938,821.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.44891			
Other Health Grants - Lead Hazard Control Grant			
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Total Revenue: \$732,341.00			

## GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4017 Department of Health - Nursing</u>			
A.4017.04503	\$ 15,365.00	\$ 35,129.00	\$ 50,494.00
Spec. Dept. Supplies (Alt #3)			
A.4017.04500	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,546.00	\$ 5,546.00
.HEROIN.2020.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (Heroin Coalition)			
A.4017.04500	\$ 40,986.00	\$ 4,473.00	\$ 45,459.00
.COVID19.2020.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (COVID-19 Response)			
A.4017.04500	\$ 1,621.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,621.00
.OCF.2019.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (Opioid Crisis Funding)			
A.4017.04800	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 47,663.00	\$ 50,663.00
.OCF.2019.04800			
Contractual Agency (Opioid Crisis Funding)			

## GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4090 Department of Health - Environmental</u>			
A.4090.04500	\$ 0.00	\$ 30,369.00	\$ 30,369.00
.ASTHMA.2017.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (Asthma Program)			
A.4090.04500	\$ 777.00	(\$ 12.00)	\$ 765.00
.HNP.2015.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (HNP)			
A.4090.04800	\$ 52,440.00	\$ 12,815.00	\$ 65,255.00
.HNP.2015.04800			
Contractual Agency (HNP)			
A.4090.01007	\$ 24,817.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 30,817.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.01007			
Healthy Homes Coordinator (Lead Hazard Control)			
A.4090.04010	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 7,300.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.04010			
Travel (Lead Hazard Control)			
A.4090.04500	\$ 1,022.00	\$ 5,564.00	\$ 6,586.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.04500			
Spec. Dept. Supplies (Lead Hazard Control)			
A.4090.04700	\$ 0.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 33,000.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.04700			
Program Expenditures (Lead Hazard Control)			
A.4090.04800	\$316,624.00	\$534,294.00	\$850,918.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.04800			
Contractual Agency (Lead Hazard Control)			

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4090.08008	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 10,200.00
.HUDLEAD.2019.08008			
Employee Benefits (Lead Hazard Control)			
Total Appropriations:		\$732,341.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21Received from County Executive 4/21/21Jessica L. Cham  
Clerk of the Legislature

Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

John McEl  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Peter, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/129/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF GRAFTON - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - AGING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Unified Family Services - Aging ("Department") directly provides a wide range of services to the County's senior citizens, with an emphasis on serving those most in need; and

WHEREAS, There are five (5) Senior Centers throughout the County that provide various activities and meals to our senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Everett Wager Senior Center is located at 2 Roxborough Road in the Town of Grafton; and

WHEREAS, The Department is desirous of continuing the lease agreement with the Town of Grafton; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
Lease Agreement	Town of Grafton	A.6772.04450	\$37,293.69
(05/01/2021 -	P.O. Box G	A.6773.04450	\$37,293.69
04/30/2024)	Grafton, NY 12082		

; now, therefore be it

Resolution No. G/129/21

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RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced Agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive

4/14/21

Received from County Executive

4/21/21

Clerk of the Legislature

Janica L. Chant



Executive Action

Approved ☒

Date

4/21/21

Disapproved ☐

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

[Signature]

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/130/21

## RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF TAX SERVICES AND BUREAU OF RESEARCH AND INFORMATION SERVICES

**WHEREAS,** This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

**WHEREAS,** Local Law #1 of 2021 was approved by the Legislature at the January 12, 2021 Legislative Meeting; and

**WHEREAS,** This Local Law amends Sections 3.03 and 6.06 and adds sections 6.04.A.7 and 6.05.B to the Rensselaer County Charter and took effect on February 22, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 6.05.B states that the Bureau of Tax Services Director shall oversee geographic mapping for all participating taxable districts within the County, and work with applicable entities internally and externally to provide mapping information and data, as required by the New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 503, and any amendments or successors thereto; and

**WHEREAS,** As a result of these changes to the Rensselaer County Charter, the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget needs to be amended; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

### GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Bureau of Tax Services			
A.1355.01007			
GIS Manager	\$ 0.00	\$ 71,822.00	\$ 71,822.00
A.1355.01007			
GIS Technician I	\$ 0.00	\$ 35,334.00	\$ 35,334.00
A.1355.01007			
Tax Map Technician III	\$ 0.00	\$ 56,877.00	\$ 56,877.00
A.1355.08001			
State Retirement	\$ 28,256.00	\$ 17,287.00	\$ 45,543.00
A.1355.08002			
Vision	\$ 240.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 350.00
A.1355.08003			
Social Security	\$ 15,665.00	\$ 10,470.00	\$ 26,135.00



## GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Bureau of Tax Services (Continued)			
A.1355.08006			
Medical Insurance	\$ 63,775.00	\$ 37,419.00	\$101,194.00
A.1355.08007			
Dental	\$ 585.00	\$ 327.00	\$ 912.00
Bureau of Research and Information Services			
A.1680.01007			
Director of BRIS	\$ 89,774.00	\$ (89,774.00)	\$ 0.00
A.1680.01007			
Deputy Director of BRIS	\$ 0.00	\$ 89,774.00	\$ 89,774.00
A.1680.01007			
GIS Manager	\$ 83,314.00	\$ (71,822.00)	\$ 11,492.00
A.1680.01007			
GIS Technician I	\$ 35,334.00	\$ (35,334.00)	\$ 0.00
A.1680.01007			
Tax Map Technician III	\$ 56,877.00	\$ (56,877.00)	\$ 0.00
A.1680.08001			
State Retirement	\$113,399.00	\$ (17,287.00)	\$ 96,112.00
A.1680.08002			
Vision	\$ 717.00	\$ (110.00)	\$ 607.00
A.1680.08003			
Social Security	\$ 68,683.00	\$ (10,470.00)	\$ 58,213.00
A.1680.08006			
Medical Insurance	\$245,459.00	\$ (37,419.00)	\$208,040.00
A.1680.08007			
Dental	\$ 2,146.00	\$ (327.00)	\$ 1,819.00
Total General Fund Appropriations:		\$	0.00

## Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
 Nays: 0  
 Abstain: 0  
 April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21Received from County Executive 4/21/21Jessica L. Chavis

Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]

County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

## Resolution No. G/131/21

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REPAIRS TO THE METERING PIT - SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County Sewer District No. 1 ("the District") owns, operates and maintains a water main on its access road which operates at pressures exceeding 200 psi; and

WHEREAS, The District requisitioned FPI Mechanical to replace a faulty pressure reducing valve (PRV) within the metering pit; and

WHEREAS, The work was originally authorized as a, "Public Work Project" utilizing purchase order 2020-00003750 in the amount of \$4,418.00; and

WHEREAS, Upon installation of the PRV additional faulty equipment was identified in the metering pit; and

WHEREAS, Purchase order 2020-00003750 must be amended to supply and install all components necessary for full operation of the PRV; and

WHEREAS, The funding for the expenditure has been appropriated as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>REVISED AMOUNT</u>
Pressure	FPI Mechanical	G.8130.04420	\$ 24,650.00
Reducing Valve	11 Green Mountain Dr.		
Repair/Replacement	Cohoes, NY 12047		

;now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to approve the additional repairs referenced above.

### Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jonica L. Chavis  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒

Date 4/21/21

Disapproved ☐

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget and Finance

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/132/21

## RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING 2020 LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BALANCES TO BE DESIGNATED FOR THE RENSSELAER COUNTY "TAX STABILIZATION FUND" - RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**WHEREAS,** As a result of the adoption of Resolution No. G/119/10, the Legislature established a dedicated fund named the "Tax Stabilization Fund" which became part of the unappropriated fund balance within the Rensselaer County General Fund; and

**WHEREAS,** Through the diligence and prudence of the Rensselaer County Legislative Board, the Rensselaer County Auditor and the Environmental Management Council, a savings of \$202,903.45 exists in the 2020 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget in the following appropriation codes of these departments:

<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>SAVINGS</u>
<b>A 1010 Legislative Board</b>		
01007 Personnel Services		\$46,020.92
04010 Travel		\$ 3,000.00
04011 Travel (Alt #1)		\$ 1,422.19
04300 Telephone		\$ 445.64
04450 Rental Equipment/Maintenance		\$ 1,000.00
04500 Special Dept. Supplies		\$ 109.32
04501 Special Dept. Supplies (Alt #1)		\$ 479.15
04540 Publications		\$ 26.42
04550 Office Supplies		\$ 324.26
04551 Office Supplies (Alt #1)		\$ 1,696.80
04800 Contractual Agency		\$ 3,460.60
08001 State Retirement		\$22,896.25
08002 Vision		\$ 2.49
08003 Social Services		\$ 6,602.92
08806 Medical Insurance		\$ 6,893.32
08007 Dental		\$ .64
		<u>\$94,380.92</u>

2020APPROPRIATION CODESAVINGS**A 1040 Clerk of the Legislature**

01007	Personnel Services	\$12,311.96
04010	Travel	\$ 2,484.00
04540	Publications	\$ 8.80
04550	Office Supplies	\$ 229.43
08001	State Retire	\$ 7.45
08002	Vision	\$ 25.94
08003	Social Security	\$ 1,924.39
08006	Medical Insurance	\$ 3.40
08007	Dental	\$ 6.44
		<u>\$17,001.81</u>

**A 1320 Auditor**

01007	Personnel Services	\$51,792.48
04500	Special Departmental Supplies	\$ 170.00
04550	Office Supplies	\$ 600.00
08001	State Retirement	\$ 9,390.15
08002	Vision	\$ 111.78
08003	Social Security	\$ 5,025.40
08006	Medical Insurance	\$18,228.69
08007	Dental	\$ 212.48
		<u>\$85,530.98</u>

**A 8090 Environment Management Council**

01007	Personnel Savings	\$ 3,255.31
04010	Travel	\$ 400.00
04100	Printing	\$ 50.00
04500	Special Departmental Supplies	\$ 1,679.87
08001	State Retirement	\$ 4.20
08002	Vision	\$ 4.38
08003	Social Security	\$ 589.78
08006	Medical Insurance	\$ 3.72
08007	Dental	\$ 2.48
		<u>\$ 5,989.74</u>

<b>Total Savings:</b>	<b>\$202,903.45</b>
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; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the desire of the Rensselaer County Legislature to add this savings to the "Tax Stabilization" fund; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the savings of \$202,903.45 realized by Rensselaer County Legislative Board, the Rensselaer County Auditor and the Environmental Management Council in the 2020 appropriation budget codes listed above was rolled into General Fund unappropriated fund balance on December 31, 2020 is also hereby designated for purposes of a "Tax Stabilization" fund.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19  
**Nays:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 4/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Jessica L. Chaus  
 Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ☒ Date 4/21/21

Disapproved ☐

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]  
 County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/133/21

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACTS WITH NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND AMENDING THE 2021 ADOPTED RENSSELAER COUNTY BUDGET - BOARD OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, This resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Board of Elections (the "Department") wishes to extend the terms of (3) contracts with the New York State Board of Elections: Poll Worker Training/Voter Education (#C002564), New York State Accessibility/Poll Site Improvements (#T002680), and HAVA/SHOEBOS funding (#C003240); and

WHEREAS, The current Poll Worker Training/Voter Education (#C002564) and New York State Accessibility/Poll Site Improvements (#T002680) contracts were most recently extended through March 31, 2021, and New York State Board of Elections has authorized the further extension of both contracts, with the new term of these contracts to be April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The current HAVA/SHOEBOS (#C003240) contract expired March 31, 2021, and New York State Board of Elections has authorized the extension of this contract, with the new term of said contract to be April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The amount of the funds still available to the Department for all three of these programs has been provided by the New York State Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Board of Elections wishes to continue these programs and update the budgets for these programs by rolling unused funds from their 2020 budget into their 2021 budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Adopted Rensselaer County Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.1450.40891 Federal Aid - HAVA (SHOEBOX Funds, NYS Contract #C003240)	\$ 0.00	\$45,296.00	\$45,296.00
A.1450.40891. HAVA.EDU.40891 Poll Worker Training/ Voter Education (NYS Contract #C002564)	\$ 0.00	\$32,522.00	\$32,522.00
A.1450.40891. HAVA.ACCESS.40891 NYS Accessibility/ Poll Site Improvements (NYS Contract #T002680)	\$ 0.00	\$36,276.00	\$36,276.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.1450 Board of Elections .02400 Other Equipment	\$ 0.00	\$45,296.00	\$45,296.00
.04561.HAVA.EDU.04561 Training (Alt #1)	\$ 0.00	\$32,522.00	\$32,522.00
.04421.HAVA.ACCESS.04421 Maintenance (Alt #1)	\$ 0.00	\$36,276.00	\$36,276.00

; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the Rensselaer County Executive shall be and hereby is authorized to execute the above described agreements with New York State Board of Elections, subject to approval as to the form of such agreements by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19  
**Nays:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**April 13, 2021**

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 2/14/21

Received from County Executive 4/21/21

Janica L. Chan  
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved ✓

Date 4/21/21

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

Stanley J. ...  
County Executive

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**Introduced by Legislator(s)** Casale, Herrington, Tesman, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Bendett, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

**Sent To:** Rules & Legislative Operations

**Committee**

**Date** April 13, 2021

**Resolution No. P/134/21**

## **RESOLUTION COMMENDING OLIVIA DECITISE UPON BEING NAMED STUDENT OF THE YEAR CITIZEN AWARD BY THE LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY**

**WHEREAS,** The youth of today are our leaders of tomorrow, they are the very soul of our community and it is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the efforts of those who are exceptional and will inspire other youths to emulate their achievements, thereby insuring a brighter future for our County; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments and felicitations to Olivia DeCitise upon the occasion of being named Student of the Year Citizen Award By The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society; and

**WHEREAS,** The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Students of the Year Campaign is an exciting leadership development and philanthropy program in which high school students participate in a fundraising competition to benefit LLS and the mission to cure blood cancers; and

**WHEREAS,** Every dollar raised counts as a vote and Oliva received almost 20,000 votes; and

**WHEREAS,** Olivia is a Sophomore and Student Athlete at Troy High where she excels on the field, in the classroom and in her community making a difference through acts of charity, kindness and volunteerism; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** The Rensselaer County Legislature is inspired by this young lady and her actions and look forward to seeing this "Young Outstanding Leader" do many more great things; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Olivia DeCitise.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**



# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/135/21

## RESOLUTION HONORING SILVER STAR BANNER DAY IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

**WHEREAS,** The Rensselaer County Legislature honors the sacrifice of the many men and women in the Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS,** The Silver Star Families of America was formed to make sure we remember the sacrifice of our wounded and ill by designing and manufacturing a Silver Star Banner and Flag; and

**WHEREAS,** To date, The Silver Star Families of America has freely given thousands of Silver Star Banners to the wounded and their families; and

**WHEREAS,** The members of The Silver Star Families of America have worked tirelessly to provide the wounded of this County and Country with Silver Star Banners, Flags and care packages; and

**WHEREAS,** The Silver Star Families of America's sole mission is that every time someone sees a Silver Star Banner in a window or a Silver Star Flag flying that people remember the sacrifices for this County, State and Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body wishes that the sacrifice of so many in our Armed Forces never be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** This Legislative Body appreciates the Silver Star Families of America and honors their commitment to our wounded Armed Force members, and hereby declares May 1, 2021 as "Silver Star Banner Day", the permanent and official day to honor the wounded and ill Soldiers of the County of Rensselaer.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Casale, Bendett, Doran, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/136/21

## RESOLUTION COMMENDING RENSSELAER COUNTY NURSES ON THE CELEBRATION OF NURSES WEEK MAY 6 - 12, 2021

**WHEREAS,** Rensselaer County commends and thanks all of our Nurses for their hard work, compassion and dedication that they have shown and continue to show throughout the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** Nurses Week is an annual celebration for our Nurses and a time to recognize their hard work and show our great appreciation for all they do; and

**WHEREAS,** Nurses are an important key component of the health-care system and have an important role to play in people's lives; and

**WHEREAS,** From performing life saving measures to holding a patients hand, our nurses are there; and

**WHEREAS,** Nurses advocate on behalf of their patients for an environment that promotes safe patient care, dignity and respect; and

**WHEREAS,** Nurses have the right to work in an environment that promotes safety, respect and dignity; and

**WHEREAS,** The Rensselaer County Legislature has declared the week of May 6-12, 2021 as National Nurses Week with the theme "A Voice to Lead - Nursing the World to Health" in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the members of the Rensselaer County Legislature join the Rensselaer County Nurses to encourage the residents of this County to celebrate registered nurse's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**Introduced by Legislator(s)** Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

**Sent To:** Rules & Legislative Operations

**Committee**

**Date** April 13, 2021

**Resolution No.** P/137/21

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 9 - 15, 2021 AS NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

**WHEREAS,** National Nursing Home Week was founded in 1967 by the American Health Care Association; and

**WHEREAS,** National Nursing Home Week is a community outreach program designed to familiarize the public with long-term care facilities and the services they provide; and

**WHEREAS,** Our beloved citizens of Rensselaer County now residing in nursing homes, skilled nursing care and post-acute care centers have contributed immeasurably to the heritage, success and growth of our community; and

**WHEREAS,** Nursing home residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and a precious resource; and

**WHEREAS,** The theme for this year is "Together Through the Seasons," and will honor the collaborative commitment of skilled nursing care facilities and their staff in providing compassionate care to their residents during this unprecedented time; and

**WHEREAS,** The Rensselaer County Legislature encourages our community's citizens to honor and serve the individuals by participating in this year's Nursing Home Week observance at the Van Rensselaer Manor nursing home facility; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize the week of May 9 through May 15, 2021 as National Nursing Home Week; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body ask our citizens, together with government, business and industry to join together in honoring and recognizing the men and women who ensure that our long term care facilities offer a quality product.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**Introduced by Legislator(s)** Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

**Sent To:** Rules & Legislative Operations

**Committee**

**Date** April 13, 2021

**Resolution No.** P/138/21

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2021 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

**WHEREAS,** Mental health is essential to everyone's overall physical health and emotional well-being and caring for your mind as well as your body is good for your overall health and vital for success in personal life, at work, and at school; and

**WHEREAS,** Mental illness will strike nearly one in four adults and children in a given year, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic status; and

**WHEREAS,** All Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

**WHEREAS,** Promotion and prevention are an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and

**WHEREAS,** There is a strong body of research that support user-friendly tools that all Americans can access to better handle challenges, and protect their health and well-being; and

**WHEREAS,** Mental Health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2021, we will continue with our theme of "Tools 2 Thrive", providing practical tools that everyone can use to improve their mental health and increase their resiliency regardless of their personal situation; and

**WHEREAS,** With effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

**WHEREAS,** Each business, school, government agency, faith-based organization, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby recognizes May 2021 as Mental Health Month.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: \_\_\_\_\_ Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/140/21

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021 AS A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

WHEREAS, The first Thursday of May marks the 69th annual observance of the National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States of America, in the year 1952, established an annual day of prayer, whereby millions of Americans have assembled each year in churches, synagogues, mosques, schools, parks and other venues to intercede on behalf of our great Nation; and

WHEREAS, Citizens of all religious beliefs join together and put aside their differences in an annual observance of prayerful reflection like our founding fathers of America did to seek the wisdom of a higher counsel when faced with critical decisions; and

WHEREAS, Today our great country faces extremely difficult times and daunting challenges, from economic turmoil to the threat of terrorism and moral confusion; and

WHEREAS, Every President since 1952 has called for and proclaimed a National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, Following the precedent established by Presidents and leaders throughout our history proclaiming reliance on an Almighty God calling citizens to come before Him on behalf of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, The theme for 2021 is: Pray "LORD pour out Your LOVE, LIFE, and LIBERTY."; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby proclaim May 6, 2021 to be a National Day of Prayer.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
April 13, 2021

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/141/21

## RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2021 AS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

**WHEREAS,** The nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Counties provide health services, administer justice, keep communities safe, foster economic opportunities and much more; and

**WHEREAS,** Rensselaer County and all counties take pride in our responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

**WHEREAS,** Through National Association of Counties President Greg Cox's "Connecting the Unconnected" initiative, the National Association of Counties is demonstrating how counties deliver "people-centered" services to our residents nationwide; and

**WHEREAS,** Each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to elevate awareness of county responsibilities, programs and services; and

**WHEREAS,** Rensselaer County provides a wide array of services to its residents such as the operations of senior centers, meal programs for young and old, a health department, a highway department, emergency services, the sheriff's department and county jail, sponsorship of Hudson Valley Community College, and the operation of the award winning Van Rensselaer Manor, and much more; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** This Legislative Body does hereby proclaim April 2021 as "National County Government Month" and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 19

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Burns, Doran, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/144/21

## RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND BROADBAND AND RURAL CELLULAR COVERAGE TO ALL NEW YORKERS

**WHEREAS**, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has said broadband coverage is a priority for New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, In September, 2019, the Governor announced the Upstate Cellular Coverage Task Force, stating "every New Yorker should be able to access a stable cell connection, yet our upstate regions have struggled for too long to make the connections that are vital to everyday life and commerce... Today we're leading the way forward by establishing a task force of cellular service experts, elected representatives and environmental advocates who will develop concrete policies and help to ensure service is provided and infrastructure for it is built in a sustainable way"; and

**WHEREAS**, Maps developed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) using Form 477 data are inaccurate and misrepresent the accessibility of broadband and cellular service and are referenced by the federal and state governments for funding purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, The FCC recently announced a \$99 million federal investment through the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) to deploy broadband technology to over 46,000 previously unserved locations in rural portions of upstate New York in the coming years; and

**WHEREAS**, The House of Representatives passed the Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technology Availability Act, legislation which improves the accuracy of the FCC's broadband availability maps by strengthening the process by which broadband data is collected. The Broadband DATA Act was signed into law on March 23, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Based on newer and more accurate data gathered directly from schools, municipalities, and other organizations, there are large gaps in broadband and rural cellular service across rural and upstate New York, contradicting FCC maps; and

**WHEREAS**, The FCC staff also determined that the Mobility Fund Phase II coverage maps submitted by certain carriers overstated actual coverage and did not reflect on-the-ground performance in many instances; and

**WHEREAS**, The FCC ultimately terminated the planned Mobility Fund Phase II auction and replaced it with a 5G Fund for Rural America, using multi-round reverse auctions to distribute up to \$9 billion to bring voice and 5G broadband service to rural areas of our country that are unlikely to see unsubsidized deployment of 5G-capable networks; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State has also adopted legislation that enacted a right-of-way use and occupancy fee for any fiber optic cables located in or crossing a state-controlled right of way and authorized the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to enter fee-bearing permits with fiber optic installers; and

**WHEREAS**, Understanding the financial constraints facing the State of New York, counties across the state endeavor to work with the State to incentivize the development of fiber connections in rural areas of the State; and

**WHEREAS**, Our residents need access to reliable and affordable broadband and cellular service for school, employment, telehealth, and social aspects of life; and

**WHEREAS**, As we have seen in the face of this pandemic, broadband serves a vital need for breaking down the digital divide that creates groups of haves and have-nots within our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Broadband and cellular access provides a critical public infrastructure need for New York residents, towns, municipalities, counties, emergency services and more; and

**WHEREAS**, The Rensselaer County Legislature calls upon Governor Cuomo, our Federal and State legislative delegates to work with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and local leaders and officials to deploy new broadband and cellular service maps in order to deploy the 5G Fund for Rural America as well as broadband infrastructure programs; and

**WHEREAS**, The Rensselaer County Legislature urges the Governor and State Legislature to amend Section 24-e of the Highway Law and Section 7 of the Transportation Corporation Law to incentivize the deployment of fiber connectivity in rural and hard to serve regions of Rensselaer County; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, The Rensselaer County Legislature urges the Governor, Federal and State Representatives to work to ensure this vital economic development infrastructure need is available to all New Yorkers to prevent the further isolation of those in need; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of the Rensselaer County Legislature send a certified copy of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Senator Neil Breslin, Senator Daphne Jordan, Assemblyman Jake Ashby, and Assemblyman John McDonald.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**



# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/145/21

## RESOLUTION COMMENDING NAZHA & JOHN KADDO UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 70<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

**WHEREAS**, A community is only as great as its members who provide exemplary leadership and service and who, through personal and professional dedication, contribute to the fabric and climate of Rensselaer County; and

**WHEREAS**, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments and felicitations to Nazha and John Kaddo upon the occasion of their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on February 28, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Nazha and John were married in 1951 at St. John's Maronite Catholic Church in Zgharta, Lebanon; and

**WHEREAS**, After they married and in search of work they and baby Hasna traveled to Caracas, Venezuela. The family expanded by adding Theresa, Anthony and Janette; and

**WHEREAS**, Their dream was always to make their home in America. Just as their hopes faded to fulfil their dream, John received notice that he was allowed to enter the United States and work. However, the family had to wait; and

**WHEREAS**, Nazha and their four children returned back to Lebanon, hoping to be able to join him soon. After a year's wait, Nazha and the children were able to join him and traveled to America via an Italian ocean liner; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1969 they became naturalized citizens, had a fifth baby Mary Rose and started their life in Troy, NY. They moved into a house in the North Central community where they still live today; and

**WHEREAS**, Nazha and John became laborers and worked well into their senior years. Nazha worked as a seamstress at Cluett Peabody & Co., The Marvin & the Jacobs Manufacturing Corporations, and Comfortex. John also found employment at Cluett Peabody & Co., Holiday Inn and CDTA; and

**WHEREAS**, They also owned Edna's a mom-and-pop neighborhood grocery store supplying neighbors with their necessities, along with some apartment buildings where they offered affordable housing. Their home was a gathering place, offering many home cooked meals. They sponsored many immigrant family members and friends, whose dream was to make America their home; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and congratulate Nazha and John Kaddo upon the occasion of their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and commend them for their contributions to the vitality of this community; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit an engrossed copy of this resolution to the family of Nazha and John Kaddo.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Weaver, Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/146/21

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 18-24, 2021, AS NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

**WHEREAS,** Since 1981, National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) is a time to renew our commitment to serving all victims of crime, to acknowledge the achievements in victim services and allied professions, to honor those who have gone above and beyond in their service to others, and to remember crime victims and survivors; and

**WHEREAS,** Every April, the Office for Victims of Crime leads communities throughout the country in their annual observances of NCVRW. The 40th anniversary of NCVRW will be observed April 18-24, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** This commemorative week celebrates the energy, perseverance and commitment that launched the victims' rights movement, inspired its progress, and continues to advance the cause of justice for crime victims; and

**WHEREAS,** Crime can leave a lasting impact on any person, regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, immigration, or economic status; and

**WHEREAS,** Incorporating communities' existing experts and trusted sources of support into efforts to fully serve survivors will develop a criminal justice system response that is truly accessible and appropriate for all victims of crime; and

**WHEREAS,** With the unwavering support of their communities and victim service providers behind them, survivors will be empowered to face their grief, loss, fear, anger, and hope without fear of judgment, and will feel understood, heard, and respected; and

**WHEREAS,** Serving victims and rebuilding their trust restores hope to victims and survivors, as well as supports thriving communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Engaging a broader array of healthcare providers, community leaders, faith organizations, educators and businesses can provide new links between victims and services that improve their safety, healing, and access to justice; and

**WHEREAS**, Honoring the rights of victims, including the rights to be heard and to be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect, and working to meet their needs rebuilds their trust in the criminal justice and social service systems; and

**WHEREAS**, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime - especially those who are challenging to reach or serve - are offered culturally and linguistically accessible and appropriate services in the aftermath of crime; and

**WHEREAS**, Rensselaer County is hereby dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and working for a better future for all victims and survivors; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That we reaffirm Rensselaer County's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims' Rights Week and throughout the year; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That we express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice, and peace; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Rensselaer County District Attorney.

**Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 19

**Nays:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**April 13, 2021**

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Loveridge, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Grant, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/147/21

## RESOLUTION URGING NEW YORK STATE GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT STATE FUNDING FOR REDISTRICTING

**WHEREAS**, Our state and federal officials represent districts that are intended to reflect equalized populations. Therefore, their sizes and shapes must be redefined every 10 years to reflect population growth or decline and other demographic changes. Redistricting, then, is the process of redrawing district boundaries to guarantee equal voter representation through equal, or equivalent, population counts; and

**WHEREAS**, While the two houses of NYS government have released their fiscal year 2021-2022 budget, the NYS Assembly proposes \$ 7 million for New York's first Independent Redistricting Commission, while the Senate has proposed \$ 4 million; and

**WHEREAS**, Last year the budget included \$ 1 million in funding for the Commission to do its work, however the money was given to SUNY Research Foundation as a grant that would control the Commission's hiring and procurement contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, The Commission rejected the funding as it would have given SUNY Research Foundation 10% of their funds and allowed them to hire the Commission's staff and approve the their spending; and

**WHEREAS**, The \$ 1 million is not a sufficient amount of funding for the Commission to fulfill its constitutional mandates; and allowing SUNY Research Foundation to have control of the Commission's funding undermines the body's independence; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Legislature urges the New York State Legislature and the Governor's Office to appropriate as much funding as needed and ensure that those funds are not paid to an outside entity; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of the Legislature transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 15

Nays: 4 (Fiacco, Herrington, Patire, Stammel)

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

# RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Loveridge, Bendett, Casale, Grant, Peter

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/148/21

## RESOLUTION URGING NEW YORK STATE GOVERNMENT TO CAP THIRD-PARTY FOOD DELIVERY SERVICE FEES

**WHEREAS**, This Legislative Body has a record of advocating for the protection of the health, safety and quality of life of the residents and community as a whole of Rensselaer County; and

**WHEREAS**, As the COVID-19 pandemic surged in 2020 and the restaurant business as usual was shut down, in-person dining was no longer permitted. In an effort to sustain their businesses, the food service industry ramped up offerings of take-out and delivery. In doing so, the food service industry became reliant on third party delivery platforms; and

**WHEREAS**, While these delivery services have become a lifeline to the restaurant industry, the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted how these third party delivery platform fee structures, questionable practices and the leverage they have, made it difficult or nearly impossible for the food service industry to remain profitable. Independent and small restaurants are especially vulnerable; and

**WHEREAS**, Some cities, New York, Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle, to name a few, have capped these service delivery fees at 15% or even at 10% of the total food order purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, Some third party delivery platforms charge as much as 30%, justifying the fee by arguing that this fee pays for a combination of fixed costs and marketing to help drive order volume. Plus, some of these companies plan or have planned to merge, therefore becoming the dominant players in the field and forcing restaurants to accept their practices; and

**WHEREAS**, In the meantime some United States Representatives from three states, Washington, Illinois and Pennsylvania have asked the Federal Trade Commission to investigate the companies for alleged unfair practices tied to the fee structure; now, therefore be

**RESOLVED**, That the Rensselaer County Legislature urges the Governor and New York State Government to cap food delivery platform fees at 15%; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Clerk of the Legislature transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Senators Charles Schumer & Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressmen Paul Tonko & Antonio Delgado, NYS Senators Neil Breslin & Daphne Jordan, Assembly members John McDonald & Jacob Ashby and Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 12

Nays: 7 (Bayly, Fiacco, Herrington, Patire, Tesman, Wysocki, Stammel)

Abstain: 0

April 13, 2021

# **Rensselaer County Legislature**

## **Clerk's Certification**

**I, Jessica L. Charette, Clerk of the Rensselaer County Legislature, do hereby CERTIFY that the attached is an official document of the Rensselaer County Legislature.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Rensselaer County Legislature of Troy, New York, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day April, 2021.**



**Jessica L. Charette  
Clerk of the Legislature  
County of Rensselaer  
State of New York**

**Seal**