

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFERRING OF FUNDS FROM THE CONTINGENCY BUDGET TO ADVANCE TO WESTCHESTER-ELLENVILLE HOSPITAL INC. TO PREVENT CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL

The Special Committee on Ellenville Regional Hospital (Chairman Stock and Legislators Cummings, DePew, Donaldson, Hyatt) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature adopted Local Law No. 1 of 2004 on March 11, 2004, which authorizes the County of Ulster to contract with Westchester County Health Care Corporation (WCHCC) for services provided by the Westchester-Ellenville Hospital Inc. (the Hospital), and make payments to prevent the closure of the hospital, and

WHEREAS, an agreement has been reached with WCHCC, the Hospital, the Town of Wawarsing and the Village of Ellenville which would provide payments up to \$200,000 from the County [in the event the County exercises its option to purchase the hospital] to [August 1, 2004] for services provided, and such payments would be applied to the purchase of the Hospital property by the County, in the event Kingston Hospital agrees to lease the Hospital, and upon such purchase, long term debt financing would be used to cover the cost, and

WHEREAS, such payments will be made to Hospital to meet the hospital's financial obligations for operating expenditures, and

WHEREAS, a real property appraisal has been performed to evaluate the market value of the Hospital, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such appraisal is approximately \$3,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee on the Hospital has met and reviewed such recommendations, and

WHEREAS, the Ways & Means Committee has met and reviewed such recommendations,

RESOLVED, that the 2004 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 223 JUNE 10, 2004

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TRANSFER

FROM: A4-1331-4553	Other Contractual Expenditures (Contingency)	\$ 203,000.00
TO: A4-1001-4265	Westchester-Ellenville Hospital, Inc.	\$ 200,000.00
A4-1001-4400	Other Fees for Professional Services	3,000.00

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 27	NOES: 5
	(Legislators Every, Hathaway, Maloney, Noonan and Tipp)
	(1 Abstention – Legislator Stoeckeler)

Legislator Lomita moved, seconded by Legislator Provenzano to amend the resolution as seen in [].

AMENDMENT ADOPTED:	AYES: 27	NOES: 5
		(Legislators Every, Hathaway, Maloney, Noonan and Tipp)
		(1 Abstention – Legislator Stoeckeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
\$203,000.00 - BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS - CONTINGENCY TRANSFER