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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State St., Rm. 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The Department of Mental Health requests permission to enter into a contract in 2021 with Homeless and Travelers Aid Society (HATAS) for the provision of supported housing, transportation bridger and outreach services to Albany County citizens suffering from mental illness. NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) shall provide pass through funding to HATAS through Albany County Department of Mental Health in the amount of \$463,046. This appropriation is anticipated in the 2021 budget. There is no County share associated with this contract.

Feel free to contact Sarah Cantwell or me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

  
Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
Director

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
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