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Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman
Albany County Legislature
112 State St., Rm. 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Albany County Department of Mental Health respectfully requests approval to amend our 2025 budget to facilitate the pass-through of COLA funds from the New York State Office of Addiction Services to Second Chance Opportunities.

The amount to be passed through to Second Chance Opportunities is \$4,875 as outlined in the proposed budget amendment. These funds are fully supported by 100% State Aid.

Please feel free to contact Michael Fitzgerald or me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.
Director of Mental Health

C.C. Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
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