## **RESOLUTION NO. 324**

## AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH EQUINOX, INC. REGARDING RESIDENTIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Introduced: 8/14/23

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services is required by New York State Social Services Law to provide for per diem reimbursements to State-approved providers of emergency shelter to victims of residential domestic violence, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Equinox, Inc. as a state-approved provider of services regarding victims in need of domestic violence shelters, safe homes, and safe dwellings based upon case-specific eligibility at the New York State-established per diem rate of \$99.32 per eligible person, or at a rate subsequently promulgated by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), in an amount not to exceed \$700,000 for a term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Equinox, Inc., Albany, NY 12206 for residential domestic violence shelter services at the New York State-established per diem rate of \$99.32 per eligible person, or at a rate subsequently promulgated by the OCFS, in an amount not to exceed \$700,000, for a term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.