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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 (ACDMH) requests permission to amend our 2025 budget for optimal fund allocation of Re-Entry services with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services before the grant period concludes. This entails reallocating funds to address pressing areas of need while ensuring efficient program delivery. One primary focus is extending funding for Fees for Services to streamline our initiatives. By prioritizing Fees for Services, we aim to strengthen community outreach efforts, sustain essential services like our food bank, and provide vital resources such as move-in kits and furniture to those in need.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.

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