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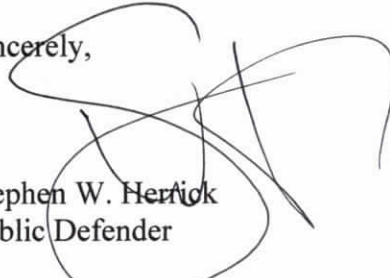
Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The Albany County Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office, and Assigned Counsel Program are requesting authorization for a two-year, no cost extension of the Distribution #11 grant with the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services that currently ends on 12/31/23, as well as related 2024 budget amendments. Since there were periods of vacancies in the Assistant Public Defender and Alternate Assistant Public Defender positions funded by the grant, the extension is needed to fully utilize the funds provided by the grant.

If you require any supplemental information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Stephen W. Herrick
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cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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