

RESOLUTION NO. 332

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BERKSHIRE FARMS AND FAMILY CENTER REGARDING NON-SECURE DETENTION SERVICES

Introduced: 10/12/21

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the New York State Social Service law, it is the County's responsibility to provide non-secure detention assistance for court ordered services, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Berkshire Farms and Family Center for the provision of non-secure detention beds and aftercare services for court ordered youth in an amount not to exceed \$961,020 for a term commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022, with a one-year renewal option, and

WHEREAS, Berkshire Farms and Family Center for youth has been the provider for Albany County non-secure detention services for many years and has done so with unmistakable quality of care, while working in conjunction with Albany County DCYF, Probation, Family Court and law enforcement to provide beds to JDs ages 7-17 years old that have been remanded to the facility by Albany County Family Court, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Berkshire Farms and Family Center, Canaan, NY 12029 regarding non-secure detention services in an amount not to exceed \$961,020, with a local share of 51%, for a term commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022, with a one-year renewal option, 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.