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Hon. Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State St., Room 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

Pursuant to 18 NYCRR 352.8 local Social Service Districts are mandated to provide Temporary Housing Assistance to homeless individuals and families. Therefore, authorization is requested to renew an agreement with the Altamont Program, Inc. to provide emergency and transitional shelter in motel-like rooms at the Schuyler Inn.

Schuyler Inn (located at 575 Broadway in Menands, NY) provides homeless households (women and families) three (3) meals a day, seven (7) days a week, and case management services to facilitate placement in permanent housing or other approved congregate facilities. The provision of prepared meals allows DSS to reduce/eliminate the meal allowance required to provide homeless individuals and families during stays at other hotels/motels.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader  
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