

RESOLUTION NO. 296

**AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO CONSIDER
OUT-OF-COUNTY APPLICANTS FOR ALL CLINICAL POSITIONS**

Introduced: 8/8/22

By Personnel Committee:

WHEREAS, The Department of Mental Health has diligently sought out qualified applicants for Staff Social Worker/Mental Health Clinician, Supervising Staff Social Worker/Supervising Mental Health Clinician, Mental Health Assistant, Staff Psychologist, Supervising Psychologist, Psychiatric Nurse and Supervising Psychiatric Nurse positions, and

WHEREAS, The Director indicated that they have numerous full-time clinical vacancies and have been unable to locate a sufficient number of qualified applicants who reside in Albany County, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 245-C for 1995 requires the approval of this Honorable Body for the consideration and hiring of out-of-county applicants in instances where there are not sufficient qualified Albany County residents who have applied for such positions, and

WHEREAS, The Personnel Committee of the Albany County Legislature has been satisfied that there exists a shortage of qualified Albany County residents to fill the Staff Social Worker/Mental Health Clinician, Supervising Staff Social Worker/Supervising Mental Health Clinician, Mental Health Assistant, Staff Psychologist, Supervising Psychologist, Psychiatric Nurse and Supervising Psychiatric Nurse positions and has recommended that approval in accordance with the requirements of Resolution No. 245-C for 1995 be given for a period of time in order to fill such positions, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the consideration of out-of-county applicants to fill the Staff Social Worker/Mental Health Clinician, Supervising Staff Social Worker/Supervising Mental Health Clinician, Mental Health Assistant, Staff Psychologist, Supervising Psychologist, Psychiatric Nurse and Supervising Psychiatric Nurse positions are hereby approved in accordance with the requirements of Resolution No. 245-C for 1995 for a period of time in order to fill such positions, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the aforementioned approval to consider out-of-county applicants for these positions shall expire December 31, 2023, 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 Official.