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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State St., Rm. 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The Department of Mental Health requests permission for a Budget Amendment in order to transfer funds from a vacant Staff Social Worker II line into our overtime account and various negative lines. The overtime account is projected to be depleted of funds by November 30. We are requesting a transfer of \$16,750 in order to ensure adequate funds will be available for the remainder of 2023. The reasons for the increase in overtime are due to the evening and weekend coverage required due to increased vacancies at Albany County Department of Mental Health (ACDMH) in the ACCORD/Mobile Crisis Unit, as well as the large census of inmates requiring additional Mental Health Services at the Albany County Correctional Facility.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.
Director

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
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