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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Albany County Department for Aging is seeking authorization to amend and accept additional grant funding from NYSOFA the Department of Social Services for EISEP services. EISEP home care services are provided to eligible persons to allow them to remain in their own home, thus precluding or delaying more costly nursing home care.

The purpose of the EISEP program is to provide eligible seniors with assistance with activities of daily living so that they are able to stay at home and be independent as long as they desire to do so. EISEP services are non-medical in-home services meant to address the needs of seniors who are not eligible to receive support from Medicaid or other programs. For many, EISEP services supplement informal family caregiver efforts by providing needed supportive services that allow seniors to continue to live in the comfort of familiar surroundings in their own community. The non-medical in-home services include non-hands on care such as Light Housekeeping; Laundry; Meal Preparation; Escort Assistance; Errands and Shopping, and hands on personal care including Bathing; Grooming; Dressing; Toileting; Transferring and Ambulation; Feeding; Self-Administration of Medication.

Grant Award Amount – \$830,697.00
Grant Term – 4/1/2022 – 3/31/2023
Revenue Account – Aging -AA6772.03781

Budget Amendment – Yes
Funding Source – 75% - State, 25% - County

Respectfully Submitted,

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