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Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman Albany County Legislature 112 State Street, Room 710 Albany, NY 12207

Re: St. Anne Institute Respite Contract

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

Enclosed is a request for Legislative Action for permission to enter into a new contract with St. Anne Institute to provide respite services for Probation Raise the Age Youth. This contract is the second of three years for allowable contract renewals.

This service is authorized by New York State Executive Law for recently enacted juvenile delinquency raise the age to 16 and 17 year old youth. It will also serve for PINS respite youth. Respite is used as an alternative to detention for youth whose risk level may not reach the level needed for detention but for other reasons it is not possible for them to return home while their juvenile delinquency/adolescent offender matter is pending in Court.

It is respectfully requested this be considered. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (518) 487-5194.

Sincerely,

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William Connors Probation Director

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cc: Honorable Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader Honorable Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Esq., Majority Counsel Arnis Zilgme, Esq., Minority Counsel