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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 to enter into a contract in 2023 with Homeless and Travelers Aid Society (HATAS) for the provision of supported housing, transportation and outreach services to Albany County citizens suffering from mental illness. NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) will provide pass through funding to HATAS through Albany County Department of Mental Health in the amount of \$530,187. This appropriation is anticipated in the 2023 budget. There is no County share associated with this contract.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.

Director

C.C. Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel