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

Re: Raise the Age Intensive Family Therapy Interdepartmental Agreement with Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families.

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Enclosed is a request for Legislative Action for permission for the Probation Department to enter into an Interdepartmental Agreement with Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families

DCYF has entered into a contract with Cayuga Centers to provide Juvenile Justice Prevention services for Multisystem Therapy. Multisystem Therapy is an intense, family-focused and community-based treatment program for juveniles with serious criminal offenses who are possibly abusing substances. It is a therapy strategy to teach families success. We would like to enter into an interdepartmental agreement with DCYF to provide this service to Probation Raise the Age Youth and their families.

This program will be funded through Raise the Age reimbursement with no cost to the County. It is estimated to be \$300,000 and will serve up to 24 families a year at the Probation Department. The cost per child will be \$12,500.

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,

William Connors
Probation Director

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cc: Honorable Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
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