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Hon. Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Legislative Clerk's Office  
112 State St., Room 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The Department of Social Services respectfully requests legislative approval for the following:

Local Social Services districts are required to provide temporary shelter for homeless persons. Therefore, authorization is requested to renew a contract with Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless to provide emergency and transitional shelter for homeless persons in Albany County within a 30 bed facility serving both males and females.

This IPH shelter is equipped with an elevator and handicapped access for the disabled; the shelter also has a single room for at-risk individuals such as transgender persons. The shelter provides three meals per day, case management and supportive services to assist clients in addressing their barriers to permanent housing.

Sincerely,

Michele G. McClave  
Commissioner

cc: Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader  
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