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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 service districts are required to provide emergency/transitional shelter to homeless individuals. Therefore, authorization is requested to renew an agreement with Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless to operate the Morton Ave. Shelter which will provide shelter services to individuals who are unable to secure shelter in other facilities.

This is an 11 bed emergency and transitional shelter for homeless individuals, including room and board, linkage to needed community services and assistance in securing permanent housing and/or residential placement.

Sincerely,

Michele G. McClave
Commissioner

cc: Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader
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