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

## Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office and Assigned Counsel Plan request authorization for a one-year, no cost extension to the Distribution #11 grant contract with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services. Since there were periods of vacancies in the Assistant Public Defender positions funded by the grant, the extension is needed to fully utilize the funds provided by the grant.

If you require any supplemental information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Herrick

Public Defender

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader

Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader

Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel James Curran, Minority Counsel