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Hon. Andrew C. Joyce, Chairman Albany County Legislature 112 State St., Rm. 710 Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Enclosed is our Request for Legislative authorization to contract with The Research Foundation for the State University of New York, University at Albany, for the NYS Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program (STSJP). The requested contract term runs from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$51,038.

The contract supports local programming to divert youth safely from unnecessary detention and/or placement admissions, and is a key element of New York's juvenile justice reform efforts. The Research Foundation will track and assess outcomes and goals as it pertains to detention, placements and reductions in racial and ethnic disparities.

The Department respectfully requests consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 447-7792.

Sincerely,

Gail Geohagen-Pratt Commissioner

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