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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Office of the Albany County Executive respectfully requests authorization to accept federal funding that has been awarded to Albany LEAD through the Department of Justice's FY2022 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program (COSSAP) Award. Albany County's LEAD program has been awarded \$1.26 million dollars with no match.

This grant was administered by the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs. This funding will be utilized to support Albany LEAD's new initiative, 'Growing LEAD: Increasing Operational Capacity to Improve and Expand Service in Albany County.' This new effort will build upon the successful foundation that LEAD has already established in the City of Albany and expansion to surrounding jurisdictions. Operational capacity will be increased with additional case manager positions, a part-time Data Analyst to strengthen its data analysis collection and expansion with regard to Albany Police Departments arrest and diversion data, Catholic Charities data on client characteristics and experiences and LEAD data from other participating municipalities. This new federal funding will make it possible to advance the mission of LEAD in multiple, important new ways. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel P. McCoy
Albany County Executive

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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