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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Division of Information Services is respectfully requesting permission to use Capital Funding that was disbursed to our Division, via Resolution 8 of 2023, to replace outdated network hardware and telephones at the Department of Social Services.

The existing network infrastructure at the Department of Social Services is in need of upgrades and replacement. Much of the current hardware is no longer supported by the manufacturer and poses a risk to county operations due to lack of vulnerability patching as well as the lack of service redundancy. The proposed upgrades would include the replacement of the buildings network infrastructure, which would provide hardware redundancy and increased speeds. The proposed hardware and design would upgrade the buildings network connectivity from a 1Gbps connection to a 50Gbps connection back to our Data Center at 112 State Street. This project also includes the replacement and upgrade of all telephones at the Department of Social Services. The approval of this project will improve Albany County's ability to reliably serve our residents that receive services from the Department of Social Services.

If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Andrew Bellinger

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