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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Albany County Executive's Office, on behalf of the Department of Health (DOH) and the Division of Information Services (DIS), and the Albany County Sheriff's Office respectfully request legislative authorization to accept the Fiscal Year 2023 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) grants from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES).

The County was awarded a total of \$648,142 in funding: 1) \$514,784 under FY2023 SHSP for the Department of Health (\$346,226) and the Division of Information Services (\$168,558), and 2) \$120,000 under FY2023 SLETPP for the Sheriff's Office. The County Executive and Sheriff require separate contracts with NYS DHSES.

The SHSP and SLETPP annual funding opportunities support sustainment of existing capabilities and development of new ones. The DOH intends to use \$346,226 to coordinate and sustain citizen preparedness, public health planning, and training/exercise programs. The DIS anticipates using \$168,558 for the enhancement of cyber security by replacing Palo Alto firewalls, adding Office 365 monitoring software, and updating biometric software servers. The Sheriff's Office anticipates using \$120,000 awarded under FY2023 SLETPP grant for enhancements to law enforcement information and intelligence sharing.

The DOH, DIS and the Sheriff's Office will budget their grant money into subsequent annual County budgets. State Homeland Security Program and State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program grants are both 100% federally funded with no County match requirement.

If you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel P. McCoy". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Daniel P. McCoy
Albany County Executive

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