

**RESOLUTION NO. 329**

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NYS OFFICE FOR AGING REGARDING A COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM PLANNING GRANT**

Introduced: 9/14/09

By Social Services Committee, Messrs. Aylward, Beston, Bullock, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Dawson, Domalewicz, Ethier, Gordon, Higgins, Horstmyer, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Messrs. Mayo, McCoy, Ms. McKnight, Messrs. Morse, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck, Timmins, Ward and Ms. Willingham:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with the NYS Office for Aging regarding a Community Empowerment Program Planning Grant in the amount of \$25,359 commencing September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2010, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the Department of Social Services will serve as the lead agency for a regional planning effort in cooperation with the Albany County Long Term Care Council, Schenectady County Department of Senior and Long Term Care Services, the Albany Guardian Society, the Capital District Senior Issues Forum and SUNY Center for Excellence in Aging Services regarding Community Empowerment Programs, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the planning grant will be used to educate stakeholders on the concept of aging and disabled-friendly communities by developing effective tools, technical assistance and strategies, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that grant funds will also be used for educational materials, postage, printing, marketing tools, small stipends for interns and volunteers, recognition awards and costs associated with hosting events for community education activities, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with the NYS Office for Aging in an amount not to exceed \$25,359 commencing September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2010 regarding a Community Empowerment Program Grant, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Adopted by unanimous vote. 9/14/09*