

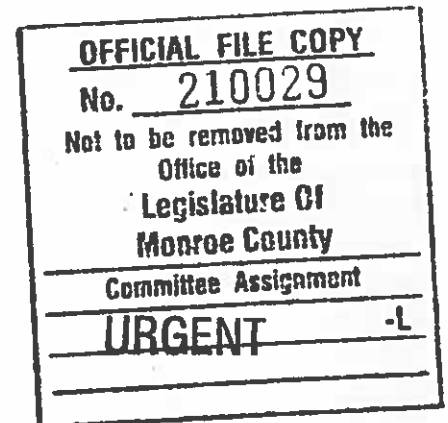


Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

January 12, 2021



To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Authorizing of Additional Signatory Authority upon the County Executive to Respond to the COVID-19 Health Crisis

Honorable Legislators:

Pursuant to Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, I request that Your Honorable Body grant the County Executive the authority to authorize, enter into, and execute any agreement or contract and any amendments thereto, as well as accept gifts, on behalf of the County of Monroe for goods and services needed to combat the COVID-19 virus in our community in which the total consideration or value thereof is \$150,000 or less. This request is necessary in order for the County to assist in rapidly responding to and distributing COVID-19 vaccinations.

In response to the Coronavirus disease that threatens our community, I issued a Local State of Emergency Proclamation on March 14, 2020, and renewed it on April 10, 2020, May 8, 2020, June 5, 2020, July 1, 2020, July 29, 2020, August 28, 2020, September 26, 2020, October 26, 2020, November 23, 2020, and December 21, 2020, in order for the County to take appropriate steps necessary to deal with the health crisis. Section 24.4 of the New York State Executive Law authorizes the County Legislature to confer upon the County Executive additional duties or responsibilities as the Legislature deems appropriate to address the public emergency. In order to procure necessary medical, nursing, vaccination, and other health services required to respond to the threat of COVID-19 in Monroe County, I request that this Honorable Body: (1) increase the total contract amount that the County Executive may execute under Administrative Code § A5-6(A) from \$20,000 to \$150,000, and (2) increase the total value amount that the County Executive may accept as a gift to the County under Resolution 437 of 1990 from \$5,000 to \$150,000, while a local State of Emergency is in effect.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to enter into and execute any agreement or contract and any amendments thereto, as well as accept gifts, on behalf of the County of Monroe for goods and services needed to address the COVID-19 virus in which the total consideration or value thereof is \$150,000 or less.
2. Within three (3) business days of the execution of any agreement or contract authorized under this action, the County Executive or his designee shall provide the Clerk of the County Legislature a copy of such agreement or contract.

3. The duration of this authorization shall be limited to the time during which a local State of Emergency is in effect, but in no event longer than 150 days from the effective date of this action unless otherwise approved by Your Honorable Body.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(31) (“purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property, other than the following: land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous materials”) and (42) (“emergency actions that are immediately necessary on a limited and temporary basis for the protection or preservation of life, health, property or natural resources, provided that such actions are directly related to the emergency and are performed to cause the least change or disturbance, practicable under the circumstances, to the environment. Any decision to fund, approve or directly undertake other activities after the emergency has expired is fully subject to the review procedures of this Part”) and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Sincerely,



Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive

By Legislator _____ and _____

Intro. No. ____

RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF 2021

AUTHORIZING OF ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY UPON THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO RESPOND TO THE COVID-19 HEALTH CRISIS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 24(4) of New York State Executive Law, the County Executive, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any agreement or contract and any amendments thereto, as well as accept gifts, on behalf of the County of Monroe for goods and services needed to address the COVID-19 virus in which the total consideration or value thereof is \$150,000 or less.

Section 2. Within three (3) business days of the execution of any agreement or contract authorized under this action, the County Executive or his designee shall provide the Clerk of the County Legislature a copy of such agreement or contract.

Section 3. The duration of this authorization shall be limited to the time during which a local State of Emergency is in effect, but in no event longer than 150 days from the effective date of this Resolution unless otherwise approved by the Legislature.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

File No. 21-____

ADOPTION: Date: _____ Vote: _____

ACTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: _____ VETOED: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: _____