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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
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Rochester, New York 14614

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Committee Assignment
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Subject: Amend the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program and the 2023 Capital Budget to Add a Project Entitled "Construction of a 9/11 First Responders Memorial at Highland Park;" Authorize Financing for the Project; and Authorize the Acceptance of a Grant from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program and the 2023 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Construction of a 9/11 First Responders Memorial at Highland Park" in the amount of \$250,000; authorize financing for the project in the amount of \$250,000; and authorize the acceptance of a grant from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York ("DASNY") in the amount of \$250,000.

The proposed 9/11 First Responders Memorial will be located in Beikirch Park, the area formerly known as "Highland Park South," that is currently home to the War on Terror and Vietnam Veterans Memorials, among others. The concept for the proposed memorial includes two (2) eleven-foot-tall granite towers and one (1) 9-foot-tall brick structure surrounded by walkways, lighting, plaques, flagpoles, benches, and landscaping. The total project cost is estimated to be \$250,000. The County was awarded a grant for \$250,000 for this project from DASNY. The DASNY grant is sponsored by State Assemblymember Harry B. Bronson.

The specific legislative actions required are:

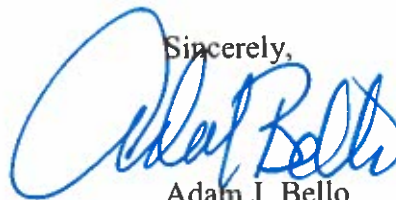
1. Amend the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program to add a project entitled "Construction of a 9/11 First Responders Memorial at Highland Park" in the amount of \$250,000.
2. Amend the 2023 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Construction of a 9/11 First Responders Memorial at Highland Park" in the amount of \$250,000.

3. Authorize financing for the project entitled “Construction of a 9/11 First Responders Memorial at Highland Park” in the amount of \$250,000.
4. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a grant of \$250,000 from, and to execute contracts and any amendments thereto with, the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

This is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCCR §617.5(c)(9) (“construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area and not involving a change in zoning or a use variance and consistent with local land use controls, but not radio communication or microwave transmission facilities”) and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be included in the capital fund to be created and any other capital fund(s) created for the same intended purpose. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,


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