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

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for Municipal Food Scraps Recycling Initiatives

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that the Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in the amount of \$18,750 for Municipal Food Scraps Recycling Initiatives for the period of March 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

This grant is available to municipalities and provides up to a 75 percent match of eligible costs for food scraps recycling projects. The Monroe County Legislature previously approved an intermunicipal agreement between the County and Town of Pittsford to share services for the residential food scraps recycling pilot project (Resolution 261 of 2023). The grant will help fund the County's food scraps collection program including the residential collection at the Town of Pittsford, Monroe County Jail and Monroe Community Hospital. The new grant will provide financial assistance for contractual services and equipment in the amount of \$18,750, which represents 75 percent of the total estimated project cost of \$25,000.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee to accept an \$18,750 from, and execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for Municipal Food Scraps Recycling Initiatives for the period of March 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.
2. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments, and to enter into any amendments to extend the time period of the grant.

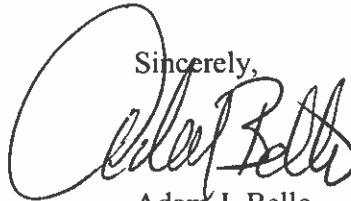
3. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

This action is an Unlisted Action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"). Pursuant to Resolution 250 of 2023, the Monroe County Legislature issued a Negative Declaration for this action. No further action under SEQRA is required.

This grant requires a 25% local match. This match funding, as well as the grant funding for this program, is included in the 2023 operating budget of the Department of Environmental Services, solid waste fund 9009, funds center 8201010000, Solid Waste Administration. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam J. Bello", written over a large, loopy circular flourish.

Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive