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

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from Health Research, Inc. for the Expanded Partner Services Initiative

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from Health Research, Inc. in the amount of \$491,274 for the Expanded Partner Services Initiative for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

The purpose of this grant is to conduct activities necessary to follow up on reports of persons living with a diagnosis of HIV infection within Monroe County and thought to be out-of-care. This funding will support the investigation of out-of-care patients; link patients to medical care and other non-medical services, as identified; elicit, notify, and test partners of their potential exposure to HIV; engage patients and named partners in a risk-reduction conversation and provide supplies to prevent the spread of the disease; collect and/or verify identifying and demographic information related to HIV; and complete partner services field investigations. Funds will be used to provide partial salaries and benefits of existing staff, supplies and other costs to run the program. This will be the eleventh year the County has received this grant. This year's funding represents an increase of \$225,326 from last year for continued program enhancements.

The specific legislative actions required are:

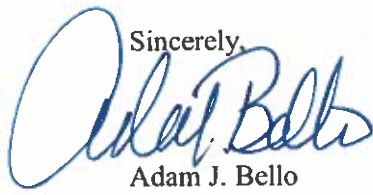
1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$491,274 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, Health Research, Inc. for the Expanded Partner Services Initiative for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.
2. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the Department of Public Health by appropriating the sum of \$491,274 into general fund 9300, funds center 5802030200, STD Investigation & Prevention.
3. 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, and to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.

4. 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 a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This grant is 100% funded by Health Research, Inc. No 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,

Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive

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