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Committee Assignment

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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 Housing Trust Fund Corporation, a Subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency, for the Leading in Lead Prevention Pilot Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a two-year grant from the Housing Trust Fund Corporation, a subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency, in the amount of \$1,200,240 for the Leading in Lead Prevention Pilot Program ("LEAD") for the period of April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2027.

The purpose of this grant is to administer a local LEAD program to remediate lead hazards from rental units in an identified area of concern in Monroe County. This will increase lead-safe affordable housing by remediating approximately 26 pre-1980, multifamily rental housing units occupied by children or pregnant women and with documented lead hazards. Units with children or pregnant persons with elevated blood lead levels will be prioritized. Eligible property owners will be provided up to \$40,000 per unit for lead abatement, as well as associated costs. Funds will be used to provide salaries and benefits of existing staff as well as other costs to run the program. This will be the second round of grant funding the County has received.

The specific legislative actions required are:

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$1,200,240 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the Housing Trust Fund Corporation, a subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency, for the Leading in Lead Prevention Pilot Program for the period of April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2027.
- 2. Amend the 2025 operating budget of the Department of Public Health by appropriating the sum of \$1,200,240 into general fund 9300, funds center 5806110000, Lead Programs.
- 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, 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.

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 the Housing Trust Fund Corporation, a subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency. 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.

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