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

Subject: Authorize a Contract with Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC for the Provision of a Pilot Mental Health Program as a Holistic Option for Veterans Struggling with Mental Illness for the Monroe County Department of Veteran Services

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize a contract with Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC in an amount not to exceed $125,000 for the provision of mental health services for the Monroe County Department of Veteran Services for the period of May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022.

This contract will support the Monroe County response to the unacceptably high overdose and suicide rates within the Veteran community by providing a holistic and alternative approach that is not otherwise offered to Veterans. In regard to the pilot component, Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC will provide data to be analyzed by Monroe County and presented as evidence to determine the program’s efficacy and potential for expansion.

A request for proposals was issued with Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC the sole responder.

The specific legislative action required is to authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract, and any amendments thereto, with Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC, 185 Caroline Street, Rochester, New York 14620, for the provision of mental health services for the Monroe County Department of Veteran Services in an amount not to exceed $125,000 for the period of May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022.

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.
Funding for this contract is included in the 2021 operating budget of the Veterans Service Agency Department, general fund 9001, funds center 7401010000, Veterans Service Agency. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

The records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that neither Trybe Ecotherapy, LLC, nor any of its principal officers, owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes. The principal officers of the company are:

Lyndsay Cray, CEO
Meredith Rutherford, Chief Strategy Officer

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