WHEREAS, in March 2022 a Level 2 sex offender under the supervision of the Monroe County Office of Probation and Community Corrections (the “Office”) was charged with a heinous sexual assault within his place of employment, which was within 1,000 feet of a school;

WHEREAS, following this incident, I directed a review of both the circumstances surrounding this particular probationer as well as the policies, procedures, and practices of the Office;

WHEREAS, in late May 2022, I received reports from both George Markert, an independent consultant engaged by Monroe County, and the Monroe County Office of Public Integrity regarding this incident and the policies, procedures, and practices of the Office;

WHEREAS, both of those reports made a number of recommendations to improve the operations of the Office moving forward; and

WHEREAS, I am committed to undertaking changes to improve the operations of the Office to ensure the safety of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ADAM J. BELLO, Monroe County Executive, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Monroe County Charter § C3-2, do hereby order as follows:

1. The Office, working under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, shall immediately begin conducting in-person inspections of the places of employment of all registered sex offenders under the Office’s supervision to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and terms of probation. Further, the Office shall establish a schedule to conduct regular inspections of the places of employment of all registered sex offenders under the Office’s supervision. Such inspections shall occur no less frequently than required for home contacts under Title 9, Subtitle H of the New York State Code of Rules and Regulations.
2. The Office, working under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, shall immediately commence a review of all operating memoranda and other internal policies to ensure these policies are up-to-date and consistent with all applicable laws and best practices. Further, the Office, working under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, shall pursue options for accreditation or certification of best practices to ensure that the Office’s policies are consistent with state and national standards.

3. The Office, working under the direction of the Director of Public Safety, shall immediately provide cross-training to all probation officers who supervise probationers in multiple specialty areas, as well as for all supervisory personnel to ensure that Office staff are trained regarding all applicable conditions of probation.

4. The Monroe County Department of Human Resources shall review the salary schedules of the Office and other positions that provide a critical response to our most vulnerable residents to ensure Monroe County is competitive in the employment marketplace and can attract and retain staff to perform vital public safety functions.

SO ORDERED, under my hand in the County of Monroe this 2nd day of June, in the year two thousand twenty-two.

By: __________________________
Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive