

**RESOLUTION NO. 229**

**AMENDING THE 2022 ALBANY COUNTY BUDGET: TO ESTABLISH A COUNTY-WIDE PUBLIC SAFETY EXPLORERS PROGRAM**

Introduced: 6/13/22

By Messrs. O'Brien, Feeney, Beston, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Cleary, Efekoro, Fein, Kuhn, Ms. Lekakis, Messrs. Mayo, Miller, Ms. Plotsky, Messrs. Reidy, Reinhardt, Ricard, Ward, Ms. Willingham and Mr. Bruschi:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff Department operates a Law Enforcement Explorer Program, and there exists Fire and EMS Explorer Programs throughout Albany County, and

WHEREAS, Explorer Programs provide Albany County youth with opportunities for leadership experience, life skills, service learning, character education, community service, mentoring, and career exploration, and

WHEREAS, the Albany County Legislature, in recognizing the benefits of these programs, would like to aid in their success by helping with recruitment, retention, and expansion to help keep youth engaged, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has agreed to expand the Sheriff Department's existing explorer program to establish and administrate a County-wide Public Safety Explorer Program meant to provide resources for all Fire and EMS Explorer Programs in the County, and

WHEREAS, To accomplish this, an amendment to the 2022 Albany County Budget is necessary, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the 2022 Albany County Budget is amended as follows:

Decrease Appropriation Account A1010.4 by decreasing Line Item A1010 4 4011 Community Development, Public Health, and Safety by \$15,000

Increase Appropriation Account A3110.4 by \$15,000 by increasing Line Item A3110 4 4049 Special Programs by \$15,000

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Referred to Public Safety Committee – 6/13/22*