

**RESOLUTION NO. 389**

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES REGARDING THE COUNSEL AT FIRST APPEARANCE GRANT AND AMENDING THE 2018 PUBLIC DEFENDER BUDGET**

Introduced: 9/12/18

By Law and Audit and Finance Committees:

WHEREAS, By Resolution 15 for 2017, this Honorable Body authorized the submission of a grant application to the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services (NYS OILS) regarding the Counsel at First Appearance Grant, and

WHEREAS, The Public Defender has been notified by the NYS OILS that funds are available regarding Counsel at First Appearance Grant, in the amount of \$749,700 for a three year period commencing June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, The Counsel at First Appearance Grant will continue and expand upon the Counsel at First Appearance programs practices currently in place as an effort to improve the quality and provision of indigent defense at first appearance and give provision of direct and continuous representation to eligible persons, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized enter into an agreement with the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services in the amount of \$749,700 for the period commencing June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2020 and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2018 Public Defender Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3025 Indigent Legal Services fund by \$62,475

Increase Appropriation Account A1170.1 by \$55,725 by increasing the following line items:

Increase Line Item A1170 1 9954 Enhanced Pay by \$43,225

Increase Line Item A1170 1 2030 Arraignment Attorney by \$12,500 for balance of fiscal year 2018 with an annual salary of \$50,000

Increase Appropriation Account A1170.8 by \$6,750 by increasing the following line items:

Increase Line Item A1170 8 9010 State Retirement by \$2,522

Increase Line Item A1170 8 9030 Social Security by \$966

Increase Line Item A1170 8 9060 Hospital & Medical by \$3,262

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.

*Adopted by unanimous vote – 9/12/18*