RESOLUTION NO. 187

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REGARDING A TUBERCULOSIS OUTREACH PROGRAM

Introduced: 5/9/11

By Health Committee and Mr. Scavo:

WHEREAS, The Department of Health has requested authorization to enter into a three-year agreement with the NYS Department of Health pertaining to the Tuberculosis Outreach Program at \$50,000 a year for a total of \$150,000 for the period beginning March 31, 2011 and ending March 30, 2014, and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health also has requested authorization to enter into the first year of the agreement for the period beginning March 31, 2011 and ending March 30, 2012 in the amount of \$50,000, and

WHEREAS, These funds will be used to provide skin testing for early detection in high risk groups including the homeless population and people in drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs, and to offset the costs associated with providing "direct observed therapy" to all active cases of tuberculosis and to those clients at high risk for contracting the disease, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a three-year agreement with the NYS Department of Health regarding the Tuberculosis Outreach Program for the total amount of \$150,000 for the period beginning March 31, 2011 and ending March 30, 2014, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is further authorized to enter into an initial agreement regarding said grant for the period beginning March 31, 2011 and ending March 30, 2012 in the amount of \$50,000, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreements as to form and content, 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. 5/9/11