RESOLUTION NO. 546

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT PROGRAM

Introduced: 12/21/10

By Messrs. McCoy, Morse, Commisso, Ward, Domalewicz, Timmins, Mss. Chapman, McKnight, Willingham, Messrs. Clenahan, Gordon, Joyce, Nichols, Scavo and Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, On September 24, 2010, the New York State Department announced that funding up to \$5 million has been budgeted regarding Department of State Local Government Efficiency (LGE) grants, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 414 for 2010, this Honorable Body requested that grant opportunities be sought to potentially benefit Albany County, and

WHEREAS, Efficiency Implementation Grants are competitive grants to help applicants implement plans to improve local government efficiency and cost savings. Grants of up to \$200,000 per municipality are available, with a maximum total grant award of \$1 million, and

WHEREAS, A proposal has been developed to create an opportunity to have Albany County act as county-wide coordinator for economic development services to all municipalities whereby services will include business development, grant administration, site development, administrative support for industrial development agencies and serving as an ombudsman for businesses to local government leaders, and

WHEREAS, This project seeks to coordinated and consolidate more than 50 individual economic development interests in Albany County under one entity to serve as the "front door" for economic development in Albany County, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the NYS Department of State regarding the aforementioned grant proposal, 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. 12/21/10