RESOLUTION NO. 259

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NYS OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REGARDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR HOME VISITING SERVICES

Introduced: 8/14/06 By Social Services Committee, Messrs. Collins, Beston, Domalewicz, Nichols, Ward and Ms. Willingham:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department for Children, Youth and Families has been notified by the NYS Office of Children and Family Services that additional funding for Home Visiting Services is available, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department for Children, Youth and Families has requested authorization to apply for a grant totaling \$125,000 for the Bright Beginning Program, and

WHEREAS, Said grant funding will be used to expand services into Cohoes and Watervliet by having Family Service workers provide intensive home visits to pregnant women and new parents who live in low-income target areas in order to improve parenting skills, increase family support and strengthen the promotion of good health practices, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application for funding with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for the Aging regarding additional funding for Home Visiting Services in an amount up to \$125,000, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said application 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. 8/14/06