

RESOLUTION NO. 521

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY AGENCIES REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT AND FACILITATION OF THE ALBANY COUNTY SAFE HARBOR CRITICAL TEAM

Introduced: 12/4/17

By Social Services Committee and Mr. Clenahan:

WHEREAS, In 2008, New York State signed into legislation the Safe Harbor for Exploited Children Act, and the New York State Office of Children, Youth and Families has been working to build a framework for increasing the identification of potential victims, creating capacity for services in local infrastructures, and to support direct services to those victims, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department for Children, Youth and Families has requested authorization to enter into agreements with the following government and community agencies for the development and facilitation of the Albany County Safe Harbor Critical Team:

Albany County Department of Children, Youth and Families
Albany County Attorney's Office
Albany County Department of Probation
Albany County Department of Social Services
Albany County Department of Mental Health
Albany Police Department
Albany County Sheriff's Office
Bethlehem Police Department
Colonie Police Department
Albany County Crime Victims Sexual Violence Center
St. Anne Institute
Albany Medical Center
St. Peter's Health Partners
Forensic Nurse Practitioners of Schenectady
Albany County Regional Immigration Assistance Center

WHEREAS, the Albany County Safe Harbor Critical Team will develop and implement a comprehensive approach to identifying and providing support to children who are victims or potential victims of exploitation or human trafficking, and investigate, apprehend and prosecute those involved in such trafficking or exploitation, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into agreements with the aforementioned government and community agencies regarding development and facilitation of the Albany County Safe Harbor Critical Team, 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 and Critical Team Members.

Adopted by unanimous vote.12/4/17