

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Legislature of Rockland County will meet in its Chambers in the Allison-Parris Office Building, New City, New York on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 7:00 P.M., pursuant to the adjournment of the April 21, 2015 meeting.

Very truly yours,

Laurence O. Toole
Clerk to the Legislature

Dated at New City, New York
This 30th day of April 2015

The Legislature of Rockland County convened in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the April 21, 2015 meeting.

A Roll Call being taken at 7:21 p.m., the following Legislators were present and answered to their names:

Christopher J. Carey
Toney L. Earl
Michael M. Grant
Lon M. Hofstein
Nancy Low-Hogan
Joseph L. Meyers
Patrick J. Moroney
Aney Paul
Ilan S. Schoenberger
Philip Soskin
Aron B. Wieder
Jay Hood, Jr., Vice Chairman
Alden H. Wolfe, Chairman

Late: Legislator Harriet D. Cornell (7:23 p.m.)

Absent: Legislators Douglas J. Jobson and John A. Murphy

Honorable Nancy Low-Hogan, District 17, led in the Salute to the Flag and delivered the invocation.

Comments from Legislators:Legislator Christopher J. Carey

I would just like to talk about the monitor in East Ramapo Central School District. Thirteen out of seventeen Legislators in this body sent letters to Albany in favor of a monitor in the East Ramapo Central School District. It is critical that this body bring this issue to the Full Legislature for an up or down vote. The students and parents of East Ramapo need to know who supports their cause and who does not. The State is watching us. We don't want this body to be the reason why they vote the resolution down. Thank you.

Legislator Joseph L. Meyers

I want to second the comments made by my colleague Chris Carey. I have been representing a district in Ramapo that includes a part of East Ramapo School District for quite a number of years now, almost eight. I know that the constituents in my district whose children go to the public school system want this monitor appointed. I think it would be a terrible blow to the parents of the East Ramapo School District, and really to the entire community in Rockland County, who are watching, who are familiar and are engaged in this issue. The entire Rockland County community has been engaged in a Ramapo issue in the twelve years that I have been involved with Ramapo issues; the sentiments are clear and people understand this issue and it involves children. If this body does not pass the resolution, or if just a few members of this body could prevent this body from passing the resolution, that will further erode the image the public has regarding the Rockland County Legislature, and regarding the future of Ramapo and Rockland County itself.

I think that we do great damage, not just to the Rockland County community, but to ourselves by not passing this resolution that thirteen members of this body signed a letter for. Having signed the letter is great, but without the passing of a resolution endorsing the Legislation behind that letter it will be seen as weakness on the part of this body and the leadership in Rockland County. Thank you.

Legislator Lon M. Hofstein

Last week the Multi-Services Committee met for an extended period of time. There were many people that came before this Legislature expressing both sides of their opinions, for and against. The facts are that Senator Carlucci, Assemblywoman Jaffee and Assemblyman Zebrowski have stepped forward on behalf of all the children of East Ramapo and thirteen Legislators signed a letter to be presented supporting this bill and in the wink of an eye a tie vote of the Multi-Services Committee prevented this issue from coming for a vote before the entire Legislature.

It is time for adults to put their egos aside and remember that we are here for all the people and this particular topic is for the children. I think it is a sad day when adults political agenda overtakes the benefit of all the children of a community. I hope that this decision will be looked at and maybe revisited so that the entire Legislature can vote on this. Thank you.

Legislator Harriet D. Cornell

I was one of four Legislators who joined several hundred people in Albany last week rallying on behalf of East Ramapo Students. As far as I can see this is really about something we all care about. It is about equity for all students. I feel very strongly about that and I believe all of us really do. It is about equity and it is about a way in which the school board can work with the community and the administration to provide a wonderful experience for all of our children. East Ramapo has always been a wonderful school district and we want to see it returned to that with all of the benefits and opportunities that the children can have, similar to those of the public schools in the other districts have. It is about all children and it is about equity for all. We were honored to be there part of a rally with a very diverse population standing on the Capital steps. Thank you.

Legislator Ilan S. Schoenberger

I too attended the Multi-Services Committee meeting last week when this issue was discussed. I read from a letter that was sent to the Governor from Legislators Wieder, Soskin and I. I made it very clear that we do not oppose reasonable oversight of the district. We do not oppose State intervention and helping to make the school operate better for the students in the most cost efficient way. We believe that the East Ramapo School District is being treated very unfairly by not receiving their rightful State Aid that the district deserves. We urged the Governor and our elected officials to pass the appropriate laws to rectify that situation.

Recently, due to concerns raised by students and parents in the East Ramapo School District, the board authorized a \$40,000,000 bond to repair structural deficiencies in their aging buildings. East Ramapo School District has an excess of 50,000 registered voters. A referendum was held on that bond of February 3, 2015 for voters to decide whether they wish to approve the bond. At that Referendum 1,117 people voted; 637 against the bond and 480 in favor. As a result the bond failed. In other words, out of 50,000 voters you had 1,117 who voted. This is symbolic of the problem facing the East Ramapo School District, which no monitor could possibly solve. When you have in excess of 50,000 voters and only 1,117 choose to vote no State Law can rectify that situation.

What this bill that we are being asked to memorialize proposes to do is to dilute and diminish the statutory authority of the duly elected school board and replace the decision-making powers with a State appointed monitor. It is going to change the democracy to an autocracy. This is advocated by voters whose interests are best protected by going to the polls and voting. A State Law should not be created when an unelected individual can take control of the school district and substitute his or her judgment in place of duly elected representatives. If people are not satisfied with their representatives they should go to the polls and change their elected representatives, and not set a precedent by asking the State to pass a Law overriding an election of the duly elected school board.

The major stumbling block in this bill as to why it may or may not get approval tonight from this Legislature should a motion to be made to memorialize the State to pass the bill for a monitor, which can override a duly elected board. As I pointed out in the meeting the other night this bill violates Article 11 of New York State Constitution. In addition to that the monitor, as proposed in the bill, could override the decisions of the school board and the Superintendent rendering each of them subordinate on all matters, and accordingly functionally compel the passage of the very resolution he or she offered. In other words, if the monitor gets approved, it joins the board as a board member and the monitor can offer a resolution and if the board feels it is not in the best interest of the school district the monitor can override and pass the resolution. This is a very bad precedent to set for the State. It is the wrong thing to do. There must be better ways to accomplish monitoring and to accomplish supervision without overriding the elected school board to such a degree that they have no power.

With that, I have tried to work with my colleagues to find a middle ground and to memorialize language that could be acceptable. Thus far we were unable to do so. Thank you.

Legislator Nancy Low-Hogan

I would like to say that I strongly support the Assembly Bill 5355 and its Senate version as well. It is absolutely critical that the voices of the majority of the Rockland County Legislature be heard loud and clear in the halls of our State Capital. Albany must understand that Rockland County stands for education for all of our children and we as elected officials will not stand by or be silent in the face of unfairness.

These bills that are before the Assembly and Senate are not a panacea. The bills are a part of a solution to a very complex problem, but this bill is beginning and it lets Albany know that we are serious and we want the best for our children. We want all of our children to have access to per-kindergarten, to full day kindergarten, to teaching assistants, to afterschool programs, to music, to art and to translation services. In short, to things that students in other school districts in Rockland County have access to.

We are under a time deadline and I think we are all aware of that. We know that decisions are being made in Albany as we speak. We want to act soon and we want to send our message to our State elected officials as soon as possible to have maximum impact. I look forward to continuing to work with my Legislative colleagues to pass this memorializing resolution. If not tonight, that is fine, but at some point in the very near future. Thank you.

Legislator Jay Hood, Jr.

I was one of the thirteen that signed the letter in support of these bills. I do support them, but I think the problem is going to be in the Senate and I think people know that already. It is best that we ask them to find language that works and something that will pass, because if it doesn't pass then nothing is going to happen. My request would be to do what you have to do in the Senate to get something passed, because if it doesn't work the way it is you have to take another look at it. Something needs to be done in East Ramapo, thank you.

Legislator Philip Soskin

I am the Chairman of the Multi-Services Committee that this memorializing resolution came before. We do not pass the law. The law is being passed by the New York State Assembly and Senate. In our committee we had members coming down from the public as well as Legislators. We spent close to three hours discussing this, for both sides. As Legislators we each represent approximately 10,000 voters. How can I respond to my constituents, because I live within the East Ramapo School District? My constituents pay taxes to the East Ramapo School District. How can I tell them that what they do and say is not important? People throughout the rest of Rockland County want to impose restriction East Ramapo School District by appointing a monitor who can tell the district what they can do. Sure we can do to court. How many issues have gone to court and it takes two to three years to settle them. What is going to happen to the children? Everybody who came before us, as well as many Legislators sitting here this evening, said that it is all for the children. Are they helping get money for the children? This is the big problem. Every school district, not only in Rockland County, is having problems, because it affects your taxes somebody has to pay for it.

I am fine with a monitor, but I am saying that we should have a monitor for all the school districts in Rockland County. Why don't we have the whole County contribute to all the programs? Sure it is nice to have all day kindergarten. Sure it is nice to have busing for children. Sure it is nice to have music and art. Who is going to pay for it? Most of the things that are being supported by Albany are mandated. We must have these items. All day kindergarten and other items are not mandated by Albany. As Legislator Schoenberger mentioned, when the State was willing to approve a bond issue for \$40,000,000, and they would give us \$20,000,000 toward it, the parents of the students of East Ramapo rejected it. When I said to somebody who came down to see me "You maybe asking for something you may be sorry for later on" they told me "We will gamble," Do you want to gamble with children's lives? I don't.

I don't mind a monitor, but I don't think he should have veto power over the school board, which is duly elected. I think that all of you should get out there, come into East Ramapo, lobby the parents of the students and have them be sure and come out and vote, because there is an election coming up. Votes are what counts. Imposing something upon a district doesn't.

Back in 1776, we had a revolution, because taxes were placed on the importation of tea from England. The colonist didn't want that. Thus we are here today. We have all fought very strongly for the vote. We recently had to march down to Selma who is celebrating the granting of a vote for people down South. Why would you want to give this up here? Therefore, I cannot ask my constituents to go along with the monitor who is going to override their decisions. Nobody is perfect. The school board is made up of volunteers.

Legislator Toney L. Earl

There is no Legislator here that represents all the children in that district with the exception of me. There are few that overlap that come into the district. We have community divided. Something needs to be done. I too took a trip last week to Albany to get a pulse on it and to find out what was really happening. I was surprised at how versed they were at the situation in the district. I call it my district, but it is a countywide issue. We need the language that we can all agree with so we can help move this. I am sorry to say that today we had a caucus and we were not able to come to some type of language that would satisfy all of us.

Legislator Soskin made a statement that there were four of us that are taxpaying Legislators in that district, Legislators Schoenberger, Wieder, Soskin and myself. Well, that is true, but we all have differences and I represent all the children in that district. We have a community divided and we need to do something. Thank you.

Special Order of the Day:

Referral No. 9358

Introduced by:

Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2015
APPOINTMENT TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY LEGISLATURE –
LEGISLATOR FROM LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 11**

Mrs. Cornell offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl and failed.

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy on the Rockland County Legislature from legislative district 11, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County hereby appoints _____, who resides within Legislative District 11 in the Town of Clarkstown, to the position of Rockland County Legislator, Legislative District 11, formerly held by the Hon. Frank Sparaco, said appointment to take effect immediately.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes:	8 (Legislators Cornell, Earl, Grant, Low-Hogan, Meyers, Paul, Hood, Jr., Wolfe)
Nays:	6 (Legislators Carey, Hofstein, Moroney, Schoenberger, Soskin, Wieder)
Absent:	2 (Legislators Jobson, Murphy)
Vacancy	1 (District 11)

Nomination of Richard C. Diaz, Jr., Legislator, District 11

Mrs. Cornell moved the nomination

I have the great honor and privilege to nominate Richard C. Diaz, Jr. for the vacant position of Legislator from district 11. Richard is a very strategic thinker. He has been an accomplished program manager in field and central officer operations. He has a track record of leadership in regional district and office teams in providing quality service. He served for thirty years in the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, and he was one of the really good guys there. He started thirty years ago as a Senior Clerk in White Plains and moved steadily up and then become Office Operations Manager in New York City, District Director in Yonkers and became Regional Director of the New York City and Yonkers offices. He retired in 2012 from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Besides that he has been very active in our community, living in Congers he has served for years on the Board of Directors of the Congers Veteran's Memorial Association, Congers Little League and the Clarkstown Sports Club. Also, he is involved with the Ramapo Basketball Association and served on the Valley Cottage Condominium Board, as well as St. Paul's Athletic League. He graduated from Cardinal Spellman High School in the Bronx and Pace University in Pleasantville. What I think is extremely important to know is that this is a man who is deeply embedded in our community. He loves our community. He volunteers for a variety of things.

He is also a very strategic thinker and somebody who is going to be a great asset to this Legislature and to our greater community. Because we are County Legislators, we represent the whole County not simply our districts. I look forward so much to working with Richard. I am particularly interested in knowing that he is part of a music group called *The Tappan Zee Bridge Men* and is the lead trumpet and I love music so that is going to be wonderful. It is a unique professional brass and procession band formed with musicians from the Tri-State area. There is no place that has more and better musicians than the County of Rockland. We are very happy about that.

It is my honor to nominate Richard C. Diaz, Jr. to fill the vacancy in district 11, and to hopefully sit next to me. Thank you.

Mr. Earl seconded the nomination

It is my honor to second the nomination of Richard C. Diaz, Jr. to fill the vacancy in district 11. Legislator Cornell summed up his bio and I will just say ditto to that. I met Richard not to long ago and he is a great community guy and he is a basketball coach too, which took me down memory lane when we spoke. I think it is going to be a pleasure working with him and I look forward to it.

Debate**Mr. Carey**

With the recent vacancy in Legislative District 11 it was a golden opportunity to pick a recognized leader in the Valley Cottage, Congers, New City areas to take the seat until the November election. I believe such a leader is someone like Laurie Santulli, but Laurie was not even considered for this seat. While I am sure Mr. Diaz is a wonderful man I have never heard of him or seen him at community events in my involvement in the last ten years therefore I will not be supporting this resolution tonight.

Mr. Hofstein

One of the most critical ways an individual can influence government is through voting. The right to vote is widely recognized as a fundamental human right. To vote elected officials into office as oppose to them being chosen for them is what the people want. My intention is not to cast aspersions on Mr. Diaz, but it is my obligation to be the voice of the people. I feel there should have been a special election so therefore I will not support this resolution.

Mr. Schoenberger

Thank you for your statement Lon. Now I know you will support my position on East Ramapo, because it is fundamentally everybody's human right to vote. To be serious with reference to Mr. Diaz I am going to vote no tonight on his appointment. My vote is not because of anything Mr. Diaz has said or done, it is not against Mr. Diaz; I have nothing against him. He seems like a nice guy. He called me last week. We met briefly a an hour or so ago. He seems very community minded and it looks like he has done a great deal for the community. I think that, should he come to this body, he will be an asset to this Legislature and to the people of Rockland County. I asked my colleagues tonight not to put this up for a vote this evening, but my colleagues refused. There are issues that I feel must be resolved before this vote is had and putting it on tonight puts me in a very difficult position and because of that I have no choice, but to vote no.

If this passes tonight it is fine with me. I will welcome him and work with him. I have nothing against him. I just would like for this to be held until other issues could have been straightened out and that my colleagues had not chosen to push this through tonight. In view that that have I must vote no.

Mr. Wieder

I have nothing to add to what Legislator Schoenberger had said. I want to go on record with the same statements. I met Mr. Diaz briefly before. He has a wonderful smile and I could see that this is what we need people that smile and will communicate. I would like Legislator Schoenberger's statements reflect my view how this is going to happen tonight. Thank you.

Mr. Soskin

I met Mr. Diaz earlier this evening. He seems like a fine gentleman. He has done a lot of work for the County of a volunteer basis. Under normal circumstances I would vote for him. However there are circumstances different, which are very pressing to us, to me and therefore based upon that I cannot vote for him at this time. Thank you.

The Chairman opened the public participation portion of the meeting at 7:56 p.m. and the following person spoke:

- ❖ Richard C. Diaz, Jr., in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District
- ❖ Robert Romanowski, in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District
- ❖ Lawrence Garvey, in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District
- ❖ Frank Borelli, in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District
- ❖ Laurie Santulli, in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District
- ❖ Matthew Brennan, Rockland County Parks
- ❖ James Flynn, in favor of NYS bills to appoint State Monitor to oversee the East Ramapo Central School District

Public Participation ended at 8:08 p.m.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 9500

- Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
- Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor, Sponsor
- Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
- Hon. Michael M. Grant, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Toney L. Earl, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Philip Soskin, Co-Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 170 OF 2015
 APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,250 TO
 WILLIAM E. DEBOVISE AMERICAN LEGION POST 1682
 NEW CITY, NEW YORK
 FOR PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES IN 2015**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mrs. Cornell and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Legislature has set aside in the 2015 Budget and designated an account for funding of patriotic observances; and

WHEREAS, the William E. DeBovise American Legion Post 1682, New City, New York, is contracting with the County of Rockland to conduct patriotic observances in 2015 for the citizens of Rockland County in memory of all those who have served and/or died for their Country; and

WHEREAS, the Budget and Finance Committee has met, considered and by a unanimous vote, approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County hereby appropriates the sum of \$1,250 for providing patriotic observance events in Rockland County in calendar year 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to increase and decrease the following accounts in the amounts indicated:

GENERAL FUND

<u>Increase Approp. Acct.:</u> A-CA-7582-5010	William E. DeBovise, American Legion Post 1682 65 American Post 1682 New City, NY 10956	\$1,250
 <u>Decrease Approp. Acct.:</u> A-LEG-1010-5042	 Patriotic Observances	 .

Introduced by:

Referral No. 9500

- Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
- Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
- Hon. Michael M. Grant, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Toney L. Earl, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Co-Sponsor
- Hon. Philip Soskin, Co-Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 171 OF 2015
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF FUNDS IN VARIOUS AMOUNTS TO NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATIONS PURSUANT TO COUNTY LAW § 224**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by the Entire Legislature and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, New York State's County Law § 224 permits the Legislature of the County of Rockland to contract with non-profit organizations and other corporations, associations and agencies within the County and within adjoining Counties for the purposes described in County Law § 224; and,

WHEREAS, As reflected in the adopted Budget for fiscal year 2015, the Legislature of the County of Rockland has chosen to provide funds to the following non-profit organizations in the following amounts from the noted budget lines:

1)	Rockland Conservatory of Music, Inc.	\$19,000	CA-7531
2)	Hi-Tor Animal Care Center, Inc.	\$47,165	CA-3510
3)	Child Care Resources of Rockland, Inc.	\$127,040	CA-8804
4)	Child Care Resources of Rockland, Inc. (QCCC)	\$60,275	CA-8804
5)	Mental Health Association of Rockland (CASA Advocacy, CASA Home Studies)	\$11,890	CA-8822
6)	Legal Aid Society of Rockland County, Inc.	\$62,985	CA-1171
7)	Keep Rockland Beautiful, Inc.	\$54,365	CA-8841
8)	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rockland County, Inc.	\$100,745	CA-8821
9)	Hudson Vagabond Puppets, Inc.	\$4,205	CA-7571
10)	Association of the Visually Impaired, Inc.	\$162,165	CA-4083
11)	Rockland Economic Development Corporation	\$332,500	EXE-1233
12)	Garnerville Arts Project, Inc. d/b/a Garner Arts Center	\$18,580	CA-7664
13)	Rockland Center for the Arts, Inc.	\$38,000	CA-7562
14)	Debra Weiss Dance Company/ West Third Street Dance Corp.	\$1,995	CA-7535
15)	Rockland Camerata, Inc.	\$1,640	CA-7550
16)	Edward Hopper Landmark Preservation Foundation (Hopper House Arts Center)	\$3,325	CA-7655
17)	Chiku Awali African Dance, Arts & Culture, Inc.	\$1,640	CA-7642
18)	Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County	\$274,230	CA-8750
19)	The Historical Society of Rockland County	\$38,000	CA-7520
20)	Rivertown Film Society, Inc.	\$1,425	CA-7545

; and

WHEREAS, each of the above listed organizations seeks to perform the services described in the Schedule A's to the Memorandum Receipts for 2015 - a sample of which is annexed hereto and incorporated into this resolution as Schedule A - that shall be signed and filed with the Clerk to the Legislature in exchange for said funds; and,

WHEREAS, County funds are being provided by this resolution which funds shall be used to effect the services set forth in the Schedule A's to the Memorandum Receipts that shall be signed and filed with the Clerk to the Legislature; and,

WHEREAS, The amounts the Legislature shall make available to the above listed organizations will be for services to be provided between January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, Funding for the payment of these services has been allocated in the above noted budget lines; and

WHEREAS, the sums to be provided shall be paid to the above listed organizations on or about April 30, 2015 and October 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Budget and Finance Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of the County of Rockland hereby authorizes the payment of funds to the following non-profit organizations from the noted budget lines:

1)	Rockland Conservatory of Music, Inc.	\$19,000	CA-7531
2)	Hi-Tor Animal Care Center, Inc.	\$47,165	CA-3510
3)	Child Care Resources of Rockland, Inc.	\$127,040	CA-8804
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; and

RESOLVED, That the various sums shall only be provided for services to be rendered and under the conditions set forth in the Memorandum Receipts for 2015 - a sample of which is annexed hereto and incorporated into this resolution as Schedule A - which shall be signed and filed with the Clerk to the Legislature; and be it further,

RESOLVED, The sums to be provided shall be paid to the above listed organizations on or about April 30, 2015 and October 31, 2015, and be it further;

RESOLVED, That any funds unused by the above listed organizations for the services to be rendered and under the conditions set forth in the Memorandum Receipts, which shall be signed and filed with the Clerk to the Legislature, shall be refunded to the County; and be it further,

RESOLVED, That the aforementioned payments shall not be disbursed until such a time as the Rockland County Commissioner of Finance, receives a Memorandum Receipt, in the form set forth and which shall be signed and filed with the Clerk to the Legislature, signed by the principal officer of and disbursing officer of the individual non-profit organization; and be it further,

RESOLVED That the Memorandum Receipt shall require a verified account of the individual non-profit organization's disbursements related to the services that have been provided in accordance with the Memorandum Receipt and this resolution, with verified or certified vouchers describing the services to be rendered, attached to such account and to otherwise comply with the terms of the Memorandum Receipt and this resolution; and be it further,

RESOLVED, That any funds allocated by this resolution and which remain unused by the above listed organizations through December 31, 2015, shall be refunded to the County of Rockland; and be it further,

RESOLVED, That the Rockland County Commissioner of Finance shall disburse, in accordance with this resolution, the sums indicated herein from the above noted budget lines of the adopted Budget for fiscal year 2015.

SCHEDULE "A"

Federal ID# **_*****

2015
MEMORANDUM RECEIPT

THIS Memorandum Receipt dated this ____ day of _____, 2015, acknowledges the conditions of funding, from the COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, a municipal corporation of the State of New York, having its principal office at 11 New Hempstead Road, New City, New York 10956, hereinafter described as "COUNTY," to the Recipient, _____, a New York State not-for-profit corporation, with offices located at _____, hereinafter called "the RECIPIENT," in the manner following:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the RECIPIENT is a not-for-profit corporation which promises to provide services described in Schedule "A" with the funding hereby provided by the COUNTY attached and made a part hereof, and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY desires such services as RECIPIENT provides, for the benefit of County residents, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Rockland County appropriated the necessary funds for the RECIPIENT, to be disbursed in accordance with Section 224 of the New York State County Law for maintenance and operation of a public museum and the maintenance and operation of a professional symphony or philharmonic orchestra, musical festival, or vocal, dance, drama, or performing arts troupe, group or activity of any kind of nature, purposes provided for therein, and

NOW, THEREFORE, the RECIPIENT agrees that, the following requirements must be met for the receipt of the funding provided:

1. TERM: The services to be rendered by RECIPIENT under this Memorandum Receipt shall commence **January 1, 2015** and terminate **December 31, 2015**.
2. SERVICES: The RECIPIENT shall provide services as set forth in Schedule "A", annexed and made part of this Memorandum Receipt. The RECIPIENT warrants and represents that it and its employees, agents and servants possess the skills and experience to render the services provided for this Memorandum Receipt. The funds provided by the Legislature and described below shall be expended on the services described in Schedule "A"
3. FUNDING: The COUNTY will provide to the RECIPIENT a sum not to exceed _____ **DOLLARS and 00/100 (\$-----.00)** to permit the RECIPIENT to perform the services set forth in the attached Schedule "A".

Payment will be made only when a certified and signed voucher in a form is approved and authorized by the Commissioner of Finance. Payments will be made upon the following schedule:

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

<u># of Payments</u>	<u>Date</u>
First Payment	On or About April 30th
Second Payment	On or About October 31st

All financial statements and proofs of insurance, or other documentation required in this Memorandum Receipt must be on file with the Commissioner of Finance **before** any payment will be made. Failure to comply with any provision under this Memorandum Receipt may result in the delay or forfeiture of the aforementioned payments.

This Memorandum Receipt requires a verified account of ----- disbursements related to the services that have been provided in accordance with the Memorandum Receipt and this resolution, with verified or certified vouchers describing the services rendered, attached to such account; and it is further,

4. **CONDITIONS AFFECTING FUNDING:** The funding offered by the COUNTY and described herein is offered entirely at the COUNTY's discretion. It is neither a contract nor a general obligation of the COUNTY. Neither the full faith and credit nor the taxing power of the COUNTY are pledged to the payment of any amount due or to become due under this Memorandum Receipt. It is understood that neither this Memorandum Receipt nor any representation by any COUNTY employee or officer creates any obligation to appropriate or make monies available for the purpose of the Memorandum Receipt. **This Memorandum Receipt shall not be effective unless the monies to be paid hereunder by the COUNTY are appropriated in and remain in the COUNTY budget for the purpose described herein. Furthermore, neither this Memorandum Receipt nor the appropriation described herein shall constitute any obligation expressed or implied that the County of Rockland will continue to appropriate funding in the future.**

5. **FINANCIAL RECORDS/AUDIT:** The RECIPIENT shall maintain records of all its financial transactions, including all expenses and disbursements, which relate to this Memorandum Receipt. Such records shall be kept in accordance with GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Practices) and/or County record-keeping requirements, and each transaction shall be documented. Such records shall be made available to the COUNTY for inspection or audit upon request. **The RECIPIENT shall file with the Commissioner of Finance such reports and statements as are required to be filed with the Attorney General of the State of New York pursuant to Article 7-A of the Executive Law and Section 8-1.4 of the Estates, Powers and Trust Law, on or before**

the first day of July after the close of such fiscal year. Upon the failure to file reports and statements no further compensation or fee for services will be due to the RECIPIENT unless or until financial statements have been filed with the Rockland County Department of Finance.

6. INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS: The RECIPIENT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY and its respective officers, employees and agents from and against all claims, actions and suits, including but not limited to suits claiming that the appropriation to the RECIPIENT was illegal, and will defend the COUNTY and its respective officers, employees and agents, at its own cost and at no cost to the COUNTY, in any suit, action or claim, including appeals, for personal injury to, or death of, any person, or loss or damage to property arising out of, or resulting from, the activities or omissions of the RECIPIENT that arise from the services described in Schedule "A", to the fullest extent permitted by law. These indemnification provisions are for the protection of the COUNTY and its respective officers, employees and agents only, and shall not establish, of themselves, any liability to third parties. The provisions of this section shall survive the termination of this Memorandum Receipt and the expiration term for which funding is provided.

7. RECIPIENT IS INDEPENDENT OF THE COUNTY: The RECIPIENT is an independent entity, providing services on its own cognizance and for its own purposes. RECIPIENT covenants and agrees that it, its agents, servants and/or employees, will neither hold itself out as, nor claim to be an employee, servant or agent of the COUNTY, and that it, its agents and employees will not make any claim, demand or application to or for any right or privilege applicable to an officer or employee of the COUNTY, including, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, unemployment insurance benefits, Social Security coverage or retirement membership or credit.

8. COMPLIANCE WITH ANTIDISCRIMINATION LAWS: RECIPIENT agrees that it shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, sex, ethnic background, age or national origin, and shall comply with all Federal, State and Local Anti-Discrimination Laws and resolutions, including, but not limited to the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Equal Pay Act; the Immigration and Reform Act; the Genetic Information Reform Act; the New York State Human Right's Law and; the Rockland County Human Rights Law. Also, RECIPIENT agrees that its services will be available to all residents of Rockland County.

9. INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE: The RECIPIENT shall be responsible for all damages and/or injury to life and property due to, or resulting from, the activities or omissions of the RECIPIENT, its agents or employees in connection with its work, activities or services described in Schedule "A" of this Memorandum Receipt. The RECIPIENT represents and warrants that its agents and employees possess the experience, knowledge and skills and independence necessary for the work/services to be performed in connection with this Memorandum Receipt.

10. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: The RECIPIENT shall, at its own cost and expense, procure and maintain insurance to cover its work, services, employees, owners, servants and/or agents described in Schedule A, which insurance shall include, but may not be limited to those policies indicated:

- A Commercial General Liability Insurance not less than \$1,000,000 (One Million) for each occurrence and a general aggregate not less than \$2,000,000 (Two Million) per project
- B Automobile Liability Insurance not less than \$1,000,000 (One Million) Combined Single Limit for each accident
- C Excess Umbrella Liability Insurance not less than \$2,000,000 (Two Million) over General Liability, Employers Liability (if not unlimited on the workers compensation policy), Auto Liability and Professional Liability, if required, for each occurrence and a general aggregate not less than \$2,000,000 (Two Million)
- D Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance in accordance with statutory requirements of the NYS Workers Compensation Law
- E Disability Insurance in accordance with provisions and requirements of the NYS Disability Law
- F Professional Liability Insurance (or Errors and Omissions or Malpractice) not less than \$1,000,000 (One Million) for each claim, or if not included on the excess umbrella the limits should equal \$1,000,000 plus the required excess limit
- * All other insurance as required by law

A check mark in the box indicates that the type of insurance specified **IS REQUIRED**

The RECIPIENT warrants and represents to the County of Rockland that it has sufficient funds to satisfy the amount of the self insured retention limit (deductible) required of each liability policy as it applies to this Memorandum Receipt, and that said amount is available to settle, compromise, or pay any suit or claim for negligence, gross negligence, medical malpractice, or intentional acts or omissions, made against it arising out of or during the term of this Memorandum Receipt. The RECIPIENT shall provide, at the request of the County of Rockland, proof or guarantee of financial responsibility, as it deems necessary.

11. LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK: This Memorandum Receipt shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New York.

12. LABOR LAW AND EXECUTIVE LAW: The RECIPIENT shall comply with all of the provisions of the Labor Law of the State of New York including, but not limited to, prevailing wage provisions, **if required by law**, and with Article 15 of the Executive Law of the State of New York relating to unlawful discriminatory practices

insofar as the provisions are applicable to the work and/or services to be performed under this Memorandum Receipt.

13. LOCAL LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: The RECIPIENT shall comply with all local laws and resolutions of the Legislature of Rockland County, including, but not limited to, the resolution authorizing payment of funds identified in this Memorandum Receipt to the RECIPIENT pursuant to County Law §224, and the filing of Disclosure Statements and Affirmative Action Plans, **if required by law or resolution.**

14. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE RECIPIENT: RECIPIENT represents and warrants to the COUNTY as follows:

- (a) RECIPIENT is a corporation duly organized not-for-profit organization, validly existing under the laws of New York, and is duly qualified to do business in New York. RECIPIENT has full power and authority to conduct its business as now carried on, and to carry out and perform its undertakings and obligations as provided herein. The execution and delivery by RECIPIENT of this Memorandum Receipt and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein have been duly authorized by the Board of Directors or applicable body or officer of RECIPIENT and will not conflict with or breach any provision of the Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws of RECIPIENT. The copies of the documents pertaining to the organization of the RECIPIENT provided by RECIPIENT to the COUNTY are true and complete copies of said documents.
- (b) No action, approval, consent or authorization, including without limitation any action, approval, consent or authorization of any governmental or quasi-governmental RECIPIENT, commission, board, bureau or instrumentality, is necessary for RECIPIENT to constitute this Memorandum Receipt the binding and enforceable obligation of RECIPIENT or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (c) There are no violations of any law or governmental rule or regulation pending or, to the best of RECIPIENT's knowledge, threatened against RECIPIENT. The RECIPIENT has complied with all laws and governmental rules and regulations applicable to its business operations.
- (d) There are no judgments, liens, suits, actions or proceedings pending or, to the best of RECIPIENT's knowledge, threatened against RECIPIENT. The RECIPIENT is not a party to, subject to or bound by any agreement or any judgment or decree of any court, governmental body or arbitrator which would conflict with or be breached by the execution, delivery or performance of this Memorandum Receipt, or which could prevent the carrying out of the transactions provided for in this Memorandum Receipt,

or which could prevent the performance of its obligations under this Memorandum Receipt or adversely affect the conduct of its business.

(e) The RECIPIENT has filed each tax return, including without limitation all income, excise, property, gain, sales, franchise and license tax returns, required to be filed by the RECIPIENT prior to the date hereof. Each such return is true, complete and correct, and the RECIPIENT has paid all taxes, assessments and charges of any governmental authority required to be paid by it, including but not limited to any County, Town, Village real property tax or School tax, and has created reserves or made provision for all taxes accrued but not yet payable. No government is now asserting, or to RECIPIENT's knowledge threatening to assert, any deficiency or assessment for additional taxes or any interest, penalties or fines with respect to the RECIPIENT.

(f) The financial statements, balance sheets and other information pertaining to the RECIPIENT and provided to the COUNTY are true, correct and complete as of the dates and for the periods set forth therein; have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied; and fairly represent the financial position of the RECIPIENT at such dates and for such periods. The RECIPIENT had at said dates no liabilities or obligations of any kind, contingent or otherwise, not reflected in the financial statements provided to the COUNTY. Since said dates and periods, there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition, assets or liabilities of the RECIPIENT.

15. NO ASSIGNMENT: The RECIPIENT cannot assign, sublet or transfer or otherwise dispose of its interest in the funds described in this Memorandum Receipt without a duly adopted resolution of the Legislature of Rockland County authorizing such assignment or transfer.

16. APPROVAL OF FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL RECIPIENT: Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Memorandum Receipt, the COUNTY shall not be liable for any payment or compensation to the RECIPIENT until the services rendered by the RECIPIENT under this Memorandum Receipt meet the approval and standards of any other Federal, State or local agency, authority, commission or body, which has jurisdiction over the services to be rendered under this Memorandum Receipt which provides funding in whole or in part for the services provided under this Memorandum Receipt.

17. FUND RAISING: All fund raising affairs of the RECIPIENT shall be included within the borders of Rockland County, whenever possible, pursuant to Resolution No. 119 of 1992.

18. NATURE OF MEMORANDUM RECEIPT. This Memorandum Receipt is not a contract or agreement between the parties. This document, as described by Section 224 of the New York State County Law and its County legislation authorizing its terms, sets forth certain conditions, undertakings and obligations of the RECIPIENT. This Memorandum Receipt creates no obligations on the part of the COUNTY including any obligation for the payment of the funds described in this Memorandum Receipt or its related legislation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the RECIPIENT executes this Memorandum Receipt this ____ day of _____ 2015.

By: _____
(presiding officer)
President

Dated: _____

By: _____
Treasurer (disbursing officer)

Dated: _____

Introduced by:

Referral No. 7300

Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
 Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
 Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
 Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
 Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
 Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
 Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor
 Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
 Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 172 OF 2015
 APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000
 WITH ALARM SPECIALISTS, INC.
 FOR ALARM SYSTEM INSPECTION, TESTING, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR
 SERVICES BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER UNDER RFB-RC-2013-071
 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000
 FOR THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 1, 2014 THROUGH JULY 31, 2015
 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$269,159.67 FROM
 THE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF AUGUST 1, 2013 THROUGH JULY 31, 2015
 [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - DIVISION OF PURCHASING]
 (\$269,159.67)**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mrs. Low-Hogan and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing requested bids for alarm system inspection, testing, maintenance and repair for the period of one (1) year from the date of the award with the option to renew for one (1) additional one (1) year term under RFB-RC-2013-071; and

WHEREAS, One hundred thirty-eight (138) vendors were notified of RFB-RC-2013-071 and six (6) vendors submitted a bid; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing determined that Alarm Specialists, Inc., 333 Old Tarrytown Road, White Plains, New York 10603, was the lowest responsible bidder that met all of the requirements of RFB-RC-2013-071; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing awarded a contract to Alarm Specialists, Inc., 333 Old Tarrytown Road, White Plains, New York 10603, for alarm system inspection, testing, maintenance and repair services by formal purchase order under RFB-RC-2013-071 in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the period from August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2014, and \$94,159.67 was expended during that time period; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 505 of 2014, the Legislature of Rockland County approved additional purchases in excess of \$100,000 with Alarm Specialists, Inc., 333 Old Tarrytown Road, White Plains, New York 10603, for alarm system inspection, testing, maintenance and repair services by formal purchase order under RFB-RC-2013-071 in the additional amount of \$125,000 and exercised the one (1) year option extending the term from August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$219,159.67 from the commencement date of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, To date the total encumbered amount against this contract is \$212,470.68; and

WHEREAS, Due to the nature of the work performed under this contact and the need to have the ability to expedite emergency repairs, it has been determined that an estimated additional \$50,000 will be required for the option year August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$269,159.67 from the commencement date of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing recommends that the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County approve an amendment to the agreement with Alarm Specialists, Inc., 333 Old Tarrytown Road, White Plains, New York 10603, for alarm system inspection, testing, maintenance and repair by formal purchase order under RFB-RC-2013-071 in the additional amount of \$50,000 from August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$269,159.67 from the commencement date of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, All purchases will be initiated by formal purchase order, subject to the approval of the Director of Purchasing; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for this amendment is provided for in the Adopted 2015 Budget of the Department of General Services, M-DGS-1245-E4060; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all contracts in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

WHEREAS, The Planning and Public Works and Budget and Finance Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves an amendment to the agreement with Alarm Specialists, Inc., 333 Old Tarrytown Road, White Plains, New York 10603, for alarm system inspection, testing, maintenance and repair by formal purchase order under RFB-RC-2013-071 in the additional amount of \$50,000 from August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$269,159.67 from the commencement date of August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for this amendment is provided for in the Adopted 2015 Budget of the Department of General Services, M-DGS-1245-E4060.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 6924

Hon. Jay Hood, Jr. , Sponsor
 Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
 Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
 Hon. Nancy Low-Hogan, Sponsor
 Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
 Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
 Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
 Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
 Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
 Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 173 OF 2015
 APPROVING FIVE (5) YEAR INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS
 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWNS OF
 CLARKSTOWN AND RAMAPO FOR 9-1-1 DISPATCHER
 TRAINING REQUIRED BY LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING
 POINT (PSAP) FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015
 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING
 THEIR EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
 (OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES)
 (\$100,000)**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Hood, Jr. and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, Both the County of Rockland ("County") and the Towns of Clarkstown and Ramapo are municipal corporations as defined by Section 119-n of Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Section 119-o of Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York authorizes municipal corporations to contract to perform together that which each is authorized to perform individually, provided that any such agreement to do so "be approved by each participating" municipal corporation by a majority vote of the voting strength of its governing body; and

WHEREAS, Dispatcher training is an authorized expense covered by the 9-1-1- surcharge collected by the County; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Fire and Emergency Services requests that the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County approve a five (5) year intermunicipal cooperative agreement between the County and the towns of Clarkstown and Ramapo, respectively, for 9-1-1 dispatcher training required by Local Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) ; and

WHEREAS, The term of each agreement will begin on January 1, 2015 and end on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, It is anticipated that the annual cost incurred by each town will be approximately \$10,000 per year for a total contract sum not to exceed \$100,000 for both Clarkstown and Ramapo (\$50,000 for each town); and

WHEREAS, Funding for these agreements are provided for under the Office of Fire and Emergency Services 2015 operating budget; and

WHEREAS, It is beneficial to the people of the County for the Towns to continue this training for the 9-1-1- Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) and for the County to reimburse the towns \$100,000 over the next five years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Public Safety and Budget and Finance Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves, pursuant to Article 5G of the General Municipal Law, the intermunicipal agreements between the County of Rockland and the Towns of Clarkstown and Ramapo, respectively, and for the County to reimburse the sum of \$50,000 to each of Clarkstown and Ramapo for a total not to exceed \$100,000 for the cost of the training for the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for the towns, police dispatchers and authorizes the County Executive to execute these agreements on behalf of the County.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 9263

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 174 OF 2015
APPROVING THE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000
WITH CENTER FOR SAFETY & CHANGE, INC.
TO PROVIDE NON-RESIDENTIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES
TO THE RESIDENTS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,679
WHICH INCLUDES A 25% LOCAL SHARE
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015
AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
[DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES]
(\$400,679)**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl and Mrs. Paul and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services (DSS) is required by Chapter 53 of the New York State Laws of 1991 to provide non-residential domestic violence services to the residents of Rockland County; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of DSS recommends to the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County that they approve the agreement in excess of \$100,000 with Center for Safety and Change, Inc., 9 Johnsons Lane, New City, New York 10956, to provide non-residential domestic violence services to the residents of Rockland County in an amount not to exceed \$400,679 for the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The agreement requires a 25% local share by the County, which already is included in Department of Social Services' approved 2015 operating budget; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all agreements in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funds for the agreement are provided for in the 2015 Adopted Budget of the Department of Social Services, A-DSS-6010-E5060; and

WHEREAS, The Multi-Services and Budget and Finance Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves the agreement in excess of \$100,000 with Center for Safety and Change, Inc., 9 Johnsons Lane, New City, New York 10956, to provide non-residential domestic violence services to the residents of Rockland County in an amount not to exceed \$400,679 for the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and authorizes the County Executive to execute the agreement on behalf of the County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funds for the agreement are provided for in the 2015 Adopted Budget of the Department of Social Services, A-DSS-6010-E5060.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 8896

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
 Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
 Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
 Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
 Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
 Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
 Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
 Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
 Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor
 Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 175 OF 2015
 APPROVING AN AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION
 TO AGREEMENT WITH TREX PLANNING ASSOCIATES
 FOR AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PLANNING CONSULTANT
 TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE MASS CASUALTY INCIDENT PLAN
 AND MUTUAL AID PLAN UNDER RFP-RC-2012-021
 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$70,800
 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 7, 2015 THROUGH JANUARY 6, 2016
 WITH TWO (2) REMAINING ONE (1) YEAR OPTIONS
 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$190,200
 FROM THE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF JANUARY 7, 2013
 THROUGH JANUARY 6, 2016
 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
 [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING]
 (\$190,200)**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mrs. Paul and Mr. Schoenberger and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing solicited bids for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan under RFP-RC-2012-021; and

WHEREAS, On January 7, 2013, the County entered into an agreement with Trex Planning Associates, 11655 State Route 26, P.O. Box 23, Ava, New York 13303, for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan in an amount not to exceed \$72,400 for the period from January 7, 2013 through January 6, 2014, with four (4) one (1) year options to renew in accordance with RFP-RC-2012-021; and

WHEREAS, On May 7, 2014, in accordance with RFP-RC-2012-021, the County entered into an extension to the Agreement dated January 7, 2013 with Trex Planning Associates, 11655 State Route 26, P.O. Box 23, Ava, New York 13303, to exercise the first option to renew at no additional cost for an additional one (1) year term and extended the term of the Agreement for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan from January 7, 2014 through January 6, 2015, with three (3) one (1) year options to renew, in an amount not to exceed \$72,400 from the commencement date of January 7, 2013 through January 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 370 of 2014, the Rockland County Legislature approved an amendment to the agreement with Trex Planning Associates, 11655 State Route 26, P.O. Box 23, Ava, New York 13303, for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan under RFP-RC-2012-021 in the additional amount of \$47,000 for the period from January 7, 2014 through January 6, 2015, with three (3) one (1) year options to renew, for a total amount not to exceed \$119,400 from the commencement date of January 7, 2013 through January 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing recommends that the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County approve an amendment and extension to the agreement with Trex Planning Associates, 11655 State Route 26, P.O. Box 23, Ava, New York 13303, for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan under RFP-RC-2012-021 in the additional amount of \$70,800 for the period from January 7, 2015 through January 6, 2016, with two (2) remaining one (1) year options, for a total amount not to exceed \$190,200 from the commencement date of January 7, 2013 through January 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for this amendment is provided for in the 2015 Adopted Budget, A-SHF-GS46-E4090; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all contracts in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

WHEREAS, The Multi-Services and Budget and Finance Committees of this Legislature have met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves an amendment and extension to the agreement with Trex Planning Associates, 11655 State Route 26, P.O. Box 23, Ava, New York 13303, for an emergency medical service planning consultant to review and update the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and Mutual Aid Plan under RFP-RC-2012-021 in the additional amount of \$70,800 for the period from January 7, 2015 through January 6, 2016, with two (2) remaining one (1) year options, for a total amount not to exceed \$190,200 from the commencement date of January 7, 2013 through January 6, 2016 and authorizes its execution by the County Executive, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for this amendment is provided for in the 2015 Adopted Budget, A-SHF-GS46-E4090.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 2825

Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 176 OF 2015
EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF
MICHAEL D'ANGELO TO THE TEMPORARY POSITION
OF TRANSIT ADMINISTRATOR
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Wieder and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, The Rockland County Charter, Article II, Section C2.01 (m), as provided for in Local Law No. 4 of 2014, provides that extensions of appointments to temporary positions with an annualized salary of \$75,000 or more that were originally made by the County Executive for a period not to exceed seventy-five (75) days must be approved by the Rockland County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The appointment of Michael D'Angelo to the temporary position of Transit Administrator in the Department of Public Transportation with an annualized salary of \$116,048 was approved by the County Executive, effective November 26, 2014 through February 9, 2015 in order to meet essential departmental needs in a cost effective and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, The Legislature of Rockland County by Resolution 82 of 2015, extended the appointment of Michael D'Angelo to temporary position of Transit Administrator in the Department of Public Transportation for an additional period of seventy-five (75) days from February 10, 2015 through April 26, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Transportation has requested that the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County approve a second extension of the appointment of Michael D'Angelo to the temporary position of Transit Administrator; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has determined that the second extension of such position for a period of seventy-five (75) days is necessary to ensure the continuation of essential services in the Department of Transportation in a cost effective and efficient manner; now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation is requesting no additional funds to implement this extension; and

WHEREAS, The Budget and Finance Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the appointment of Michael D'Angelo to the temporary position of Transit Administrator in the Department of Public Transportation is hereby extended for a second period for an additional seventy-five (75) days from April 27, 2015 through July 11, 2015.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 5037

Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 177 OF 2015
ESTABLISHING ONE POSITION AND
ABOLISHING ONE POSITION IN THE
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

Mr. Grant offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Soskin and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, The Public Defender has requested the establishment of one position along with the concurrent abolishment of one position in the Office of the Public Defender, and

WHEREAS, The Department of Personnel has reviewed a job description for one position and has made an appropriate civil service classification, and

WHEREAS, The Public Defender is requesting no additional funds to establish this position, and

WHEREAS, The Budget and Finance Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That one position of Litigation Assistant (Spanish-Speaking), position #9213 (SG 12 - \$43,576 - \$52,702) be hereby established in the Office of the Public Defender – 1170 and be it further

RESOLVED, That one position of Litigation Assistant, position #8687 (SG 12- \$43,576 - \$52,702) be hereby concurrently abolished.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 2321

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
Hon. Michael M. Grant, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 178 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
ALMAR JAVIER SOLIS, POMONA, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

Mr. Soskin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl, Mr. Grant, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Wieder and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §C19.03 of the Rockland County Charter, there shall be a Commission on Human Rights Commission ("Commission") constituted in accordance with the General Municipal Law or any other law, provided that members shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 124 of 1977, the Commission shall consist of thirteen (13) members; and

WHEREAS, There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Rockland County Human Rights Commission; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Almar Javier Solis, Pomona, New York to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Nemesio A. Montenegro, Jr., to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, The Multi Services Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Almar Javier Solis, Pomona, New York to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission, and to the appointee, Almar Javier Solis.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 2321

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 179 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
ROBERT C. MAHER, JR. VALLEY COTTAGE, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

Mr. Soskin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mrs. Cornell, Mr. Earl, Mrs. Paul, Mr. Wieder and Chairman Wolfe and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §C19.03 of the Rockland County Charter, there shall be a Commission on Human Rights Commission ("Commission") constituted in accordance with the General Municipal Law or any other law, provided that members shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 124 of 1977, the Commission shall consist of thirteen (13) members; and

WHEREAS, There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Rockland County Human Rights Commission; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Robert C. Maher, Jr., Valley Cottage, New York to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Ted DeGuzman, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, The Multi Services Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of. Robert C. Maher, Jr., Valley Cottage, New York to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Human Rights Commission and to the appointee, Robert C. Maher, Jr.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 3544

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 180 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
ELLA HILL, SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DISABILITY
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Mr. Soskin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Carey, Mr. Earl, Mr. Hofstein, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Wieder and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 492 of 1975, the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council was established; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 471 of 1976, the Legislature increased the number of members on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council to twenty four (24); and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 536 of 2010, the Legislature decreased the number of members on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Board from twenty-four (24) to eleven (11); and

WHEREAS, Section §C3.02 of the Charter Law of Rockland County provides that the County Executive shall appoint members of all county boards and commissions, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Ella Hill, Spring Valley, New York, to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council to serve at his pleasure, subject to legislative confirmation, and

WHEREAS, Ella Hill formerly served on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council and expressed an interest in serving again; and

WHEREAS, The Multi Services Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Ella Hill, Spring Valley, New York, to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council and to the appointee, Ella Hill.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 3544

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Sponsor
Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 181 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
ANN O'MALLEY, CONGERS, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DISABILITY
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Mr. Soskin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Carey, Mr. Earl, Mrs. Low-Hogan, Mr. Moroney, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Wieder and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 492 of 1975, the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council was established; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 471 of 1976, the Legislature increased the number of members on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council to twenty four (24); and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 536 of 2010, the Legislature decreased the number of members on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council from twenty four (24) to eleven (11); and

WHEREAS, Section §C3.02 of the Charter Law of Rockland County provides that the County Executive shall appoint members of all county boards and commissions, who shall serve at his pleasure, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Ann O'Malley, Congers, New York, to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council to serve at his pleasure, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, Ann O'Malley, has a MSW in Clinical Social Work and has devoted her entire professional life to working with people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, The Multi Services Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Ann O'Malley, Congers, New York, to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Disability Advisory Council and to the appointee, Ann O'Malley.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 7792

Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
 Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
 Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
 Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
 Hon. Aron B. Wieder, Sponsor
 Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor
 Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
 Hon. Harriet D. Cornell, Sponsor
 Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 182 OF 2015
 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
 DR. PATRICIA SCHNABEL RUPPERT, D.O. AS
 COMMISSIONER OF HOSPITALS
 FOR THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND**

Mr. Soskin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl, Mrs. Paul, Mr. Wieder and Chairman Wolfe and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, Section §C8.01 and §C3.02 of the Rockland County Charter provide that the County Executive shall appoint the Commissioner of Hospitals for Rockland County for a term of office for which the County Executive is elected, subject to confirmation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Dr. Patricia Schnabel Ruppert, D.O., Stony Point, New York as the Commissioner of Hospitals, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, The Multi Services Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

WHEREAS, Dr. Ruppert has experience in hospital administration as required by Section §8.01 of the Charter; and

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Dr. Patricia Schnabel Ruppert, D.O., Stony Point, New York, as Commissioner of Hospitals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That there shall not be additional compensation for this appointment; and be it further

RESOLVED, That future salary increases shall be by local law or resolution, whichever is appropriate.

Debate

Chairman Wolfe

This was a recommendation from the Multi-Services Committee to confirm. Correct?

Mr. Soskin

Correct.

Mr. Schoenberger

We are confirming this appointment, as we did with the previous appointments, which were all made by the County Executive. We have the responsibility to confirm or reject and we are confirming this. I expressed my concerns directly to Dr. Patricia Schnabel Ruppert that as the Commissioner of the Board of Health I was concerned about her having these additional duties, because they are very substantial. She is not getting an increase in pay and will be doing both jobs. I wanted her to know, and everyone to know, that whatever we can do to help her to do both these jobs and to fulfill the responsibilities that she has voluntarily undertaking as Commissioner of Hospitals we will be glad to do so. There are two major positions that one person is being asked to take care of and that was the recommendation of the County Executive. Rather than challenge the County Executive I will support him and allow his appointment to Dr. Patricia Schnabel Ruppert to both positions to go forward. I hope that won't prove to be an unattainable burden on her.

Chairman Wolfe

I agree with the concern that was expressed. I do have faith in the Commissioner in that what she says to us is the truth. She believes that she can do both jobs. I am having a summit next week on "Food Rescue" to see how we can make sure food that is otherwise edible doesn't enter the waste stream and is available for people's tables. There are a lot of people in this community that suffer from food insecurity, which is somewhat of a silent epidemic. I just received an email from Commissioner Ruppert saying that she and her department staff will not be able to participate in the summit. There is a lot of reasons that one can presume for her non-participation, and none of them are good. I certainly hope that the reasons that were giving are bonafide and not because she is too consumed with doing both jobs that she can't provide support to a Legislative Summit. So I do have a concern about that.

For the record, all these confirmations under the Charter changes are recommendations that are made from the committee and the resolutions reflect the recommendation from the committee to the Full Legislature for action. That is the procedure.

Mrs. Cornell

You raised an important issue, because the Rockland County Department of Health has wonderful health educators who spend a great deal of time working in schools with teachers, students and families on food nutrition and other kinds of things. So I am disappointed that there was nobody available to come to the summit.

Chairman Wolfe

As am I, thank you.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 3147

Hon. Jay Hood, Jr., Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Nancy Low-Hogan, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Joseph L. Meyers, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 183 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
GEORGE A. CICH, AIRMONT, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD**

Mr. Hood, Jr. offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Carey, Mrs. Cornell, Mr. Meyers, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Soskin and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, County Law §225-a provides that the board of supervisors of any county may create a county fire advisory board consisting of not less than five (5) and no more than twenty-one (21) members; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 102 of 1952, the County of Rockland created the County Fire Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §C3.02 of the Charter Law of Rockland County, the County Executive shall appoint the members of county boards and commissions, who shall serve at his pleasure, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed George A. Cich, Airmont, New York, to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board, to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Michael Wicks, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The Public Safety Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of George A. Cich, Airmont, New York, to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board and to the appointee, George A. Cich.

Introduced by:

Referral No. 3147

Hon. Jay Hood, Jr., Sponsor
Hon. Toney L. Earl, Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Sponsor
Hon. Nancy Low-Hogan, Sponsor
Hon. Aney Paul, Sponsor
Hon. Philip Soskin, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

**RESOLUTION NO. 184 OF 2015
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF
LISA CASTALDO GREEN, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD**

Mr. Hood, Jr. offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Carey, Mrs. Cornell, Mr. Grant, Mrs. Paul and Mr. Soskin and unanimously adopted

WHEREAS, County Law §225-a provides that the board of supervisors of any county may create a county fire advisory board consisting of not less than five (5) and no more than twenty-one (21) members; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 102 of 1952, the County of Rockland created the County Fire Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §C3.02 of the Charter Law of Rockland County, the County Executive shall appoint the members of county boards and commissions, who shall serve at his pleasure, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Lisa Castaldo Green, Garnerville, New York, to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board, to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Vincent Martuscelli, Sr., to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive, subject to legislative confirmation; and

WHEREAS, There is currently one (1) vacancy on the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The Public Safety Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and unanimously recommended this confirmation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Lisa Castaldo Green, Garnerville, New York, to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board, to serve at the pleasure of the County Executive; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Fire Advisory Board and to the appointee, Lisa Castaldo Green.

**ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF
JOHN P. "JACK" ROCHE**

Mrs. Cornell offered the following memorial, which was seconded by entire Legislature and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County adjourn this meeting in memory of John P. "Jack" Roche.

**ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF
ROSE RICCIO**

Mrs. Cornell offered the following memorial, which was seconded by entire Legislature and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County adjourn this meeting in memory of Rose Riccio.

**ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF
JEAN FINAN**

Mr. Schoenberger offered the following memorial, which was seconded by Mrs. Cornell and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County adjourn this meeting in memory of Jean Finan.

**ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF
REGINA O'ROURKE**

Mr. Murphy offered the following memorial, which was seconded by Mr. Grant and Mr. Hood, Jr. and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County adjourn this meeting in memory of Regina O'Rourke.

**ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF
PETER J. KALIN**

Mr. Murphy offered the following memorial, which was seconded by Mr. Moroney and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County adjourn this meeting in memory of Peter J. Kalin

**RESOLUTION NO. 185 OF 2015
ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Wieder offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Earl and unanimously adopted (8:19 p.m.)

RESOLVED, that the meeting of the Legislature is hereby adjourned to Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

DARCY SHAPIN-GREENBERG
Proceedings Clerk