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April 30, 2024

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.
Oneida County Executive
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WAYS & MEANS

RE:

Joseph J. Bonanza, as Administrator of the Estate of Terra Lynn Bonanza, deceased, v.

County of Oneida, et al.

Dear County Executive Picente:

I am requesting authority to assign the remainder of the County's Self-Insured Retention in the above matter to our carrier, Tokio Marine HCC Public Risk Claims Service (TMHCC).

This matter involves the death of Terra Lynn Bonanza who was incarcerated at the Oneida County Correctional Facility from March 5, 2021 through March 14, 2021. Ms. Bonanza was transported to a hospital on March 14, 2021 where she was diagnosed with COVID19, among other things. Ms. Bonanza succumbed to her illness on April 22, 2021. Ms. Bonanza's Estate alleges that a failure to properly house, monitor, supervise, oversee, assist, care for and/or treat Ms. Bonanza resulted in her death.

It is the opinion of the insurance adjusters that this matter will not be settled within the County's Self-Insured Retention of \$100,000.00. We have been asked by our carrier, TMHCC, to assign the remainder of the Self-Insured Retention in the sum of \$88,023.25 to TMHCC. Contractually, the carrier is within its rights to make this request of the County.

Accordingly, I hereby recommend and request that the Board of Legislators authorize an assignment of the remaining Self-Insured Retention to Tokio Marine HCC Public Risk Claims Service.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Amanda L. Cortese-Kolasz

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Reviewed and Approved for submittal to the Oneida County Board of Legislator by

> Anthony J. Picente, Jr. County Executive

Date 4-30-24



ONEIDA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

ANTHONY J. PICENTE, JR. County Executive ce@ocgov.net

May 1, 2024

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Board of Legislators Oneida County 800 Park Avenue Utica, New York 13501

WAYS & MEANS

Re: Home Rule Request - County-Tribal Agreement to House Inmates

Dear Honorable Members:

I enclose herewith draft Home Rule Requests relative to a request for State legislation approving a County-Tribal detention agreement between Oneida County and the Oneida Indian Nation to further the public interest in public safety. This legislation and agreement will further the intergovernmental cooperation contemplated by the historic 2013 Agreement between the Oneida Indian Nation, the State of New York, Oneida County and Madison County.

I respectfully request the Board's approval to send the Home Rule Request attached herewith to our State representatives for their action. As time is of the essence in sending this message to our representatives in Albany, I ask that you consider this request at your May 8, 2024 meeting.

Thank you for the Board's prompt attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.

Oneida County Executive

Enclosures

ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

RESOLUTION NO.

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Flisnik 2ND BY: Mr.

RE:

HOME RULE REQUEST SUPPORTING SENATE BILL NO. S8692 AND ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A9441 TO AMEND THE CORRECTIONS LAW, IN RELATION TO THE USE OF CERTAIN COUNTY JAILS; AND TO AMEND THE COUNTY LAW, IN RELATION TO THE LEGISLATURE'S APPROVAL, RATIFICATION, VALIDATION AND CONFIRMATION OF COUNTY-TRIBAL DETENTION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE ONEIDA INDIAN NATION AND MADISON COUNTY AND ONEIDA COUNTY

- WHEREAS, The New York State Legislature is considering introduction of Senate Bill No. S8692 and Assembly Bill No. A9441 to amend the corrections law, in relation to the use of certain county jails; and to amend the county law, in relation to the legislature's approval, ratification, validation and confirmation of county-tribal detention agreements between the Oneida Indian Nation and Madison County and Oneida County, and
- WHEREAS, It is required by the rules of the State Legislature that prior to the passage of Senate Bill No. S8692 and Assembly Bill No. A9441, the Oneida County Board of Legislators must request passage of such special law relating to the County of Oneida, now, therefore, be it hereby
- **RESOLVED,** That the Board of Legislators of the County of Oneida requests the immediate passage of Senate Bill No. S8692 and Assembly Bill No. A9441 by the New York State Legislature and it is further,
- **RESOLVED,** That the Clerk of the Board be and hereby is directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution with the Home Rule Message forms to Senators Joseph A. Griffo and Rachel May and Assemblymembers Marianne Buttenschon, Brian D. Miller, John Salka, Ken Blankenbush and Robert Smullen and to the Home Rule Counsel for the New York State Senate and Assembly.

APPROVED: Ways & Means Committee

DATED:

Adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES NAYS ABSENT