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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE WILL HOLD COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE ON MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023 STARTING AT 1:00 PM AND WILL HOLD A FULL SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE ON MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023 STARTING AT 1:00 PM FOR PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT, AND AT 2:00 PM FOR THE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR IN THE PETER J. SCHMITT MEMORIAL LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER, 1<sup>st</sup> FLOOR, THEODORE ROOSEVELT EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, 1550 FRANKLIN AVENUE, MINEOLA, NEW YORK 11501.

### **FULL LEGISLATIVE SESSION.....1:00 PM**

<b>COMMITTEES</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>RULES</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT &amp; THE ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>TOWNS, VILLAGES AND CITIES</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LABOR AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND OPERATIONS</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>MINORITY AFFAIRS</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>VETERANS</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>SENIOR AFFAIRS</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>
<b>FINANCE</b>	<b>1:00PM</b>

**MICHAEL C. PULITZER**  
Clerk of the Legislature

**Dated: JUNE 5, 2023**  
**Mineola, NY**

As per the Nassau County Fire Marshal's Office, the Peter J. Schmitt Memorial Legislative Chamber has a maximum occupancy of 200 people.

Attendees who would like to address the Legislature must submit a slip to the Clerk's office staff. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person. At meetings of the full Legislature, public comment will be heard only during the pre-calendar public comment period and during public hearings that are on the calendar. At meetings of the Legislature's committees, there is no pre-calendar public comment period. Public comment will be heard on agenda items. Public comment on any item may be emailed to the Clerk of the Legislature at [LegPublicComment@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:LegPublicComment@nassaucountyny.gov) and will be made part of the formal record of this Legislative meeting.

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which will be incorporated into the record of





**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.     -2023**

**A LOCAL LAW TO CREATE AN OPERATING RESERVES FUND**

WHEREAS, it is prudent fiscal practice to create an operating reserves fund to provide for payment of unbudgeted or extraordinary costs, and to fund other fiscally prudent expenditures related to health insurance, labor and risk management or insurance retention;

NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows:

Section 1. Chapter III, Title A of the Nassau County Administrative Code is amended to add the following subsection:

§ 3-2.4   **Allocation of surplus funds to an operating reserves fund.** An operating reserves fund, to include the following authorized categories of funds, is hereby established to provide for payment of unbudgeted or extraordinary costs and to fund other fiscally prudent expenditures related to the purposes set forth herein:

- a. A healthcare reserve to provide for payment of unbudgeted or extraordinary costs, and to fund other fiscally prudent expenditures related to health care insurance for existing and retired employees.
- b. A labor reserve to provide for payment of unbudgeted or extraordinary personnel costs, and to fund other fiscally prudent expenditures related to negotiated labor agreements, awards or settlements.
- c. An insurance reserve to provide for the retention of risk to strengthen the County's risk management strategy through high deductible, excess loss property and casualty, public entity liability and other policies. Any funds above the required retention threshold may also be used for the payment of unbudgeted or extraordinary premiums or other related costs including, but not limited to, expert and professional services in connection with the investigation, adjustment or settlement of claims, actions or judgments.

The County may pay into any fund established hereby such amounts resulting from future surpluses as may be provided by budgetary appropriations or as otherwise may be legally appropriated.

The moneys held in any fund established hereby shall be segregated from all other moneys of the County and shall be deposited and secured in a manner consistent with Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. The Treasurer may invest the moneys in any such fund in a manner consistent with Section 11 of the General Municipal Law.

In the event the County determines that any fund established hereby, or any portion thereof, is no longer needed, the moneys remaining in such fund may be transferred to any other reserve fund of the County, only to the extent that the moneys in such discontinued fund shall exceed the sum sufficient to pay all liabilities incurred or accrued against it.

§ 2. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the amendment of the Nassau County Administrative Code in relation to a special revenue fund is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This local law shall take effect immediately.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 34 -2023

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE NASSAU COUNTY BUDGET FOR NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2024, AND TO APPROPRIATE REVENUES AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE PURPOSES OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION LAW, THE COUNTY LAW, THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of subdivision 5-a of section 6304 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the fiscal year for a community college sponsored by a county is to commence on September 1st and end on August 31st in each year, and

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the requirements of the aforesaid provisions of the Education Law, the County Executive of Nassau County submitted and filed with the Nassau County Legislature a proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2023 and ending August 31, 2024 together with his budget message and recommendations relative to the items set forth in said proposed County budget for Nassau Community College; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Legislature, after the filing of said proposed County budget for Nassau Community College, gave due notice pursuant to law of a public hearing to be held on said proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, said hearing has been duly held and this Nassau County Legislature has given consideration and due deliberation to each and all of the items which are set forth in said proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College, as well as the recommendations of the County Executive thereon, and to the statements of all persons who were heard at such hearing; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. The proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College heretofore submitted and filed by the County Executive with the Nassau County Legislature be and the same hereby is approved and adopted as the budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2023 and ending August 31, 2024 in the respective amounts shown opposite the items listed in said budget and as shown under the heading: “2024 Budget” for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2024 said budget now being on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

§ 2. The Legislature of Nassau County does hereby appropriate for the requirements of Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2023 and ending August 31, 2024 the several amounts specified for expenditures as follows:



Proposed Budget

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATIONS

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 185,262,122

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION FOR  
NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE PURPOSES \$ 185,262,122**

§ 3. The following estimated revenues are hereby appropriated and made available for the purposes set forth in the budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2023 and ending August 31, 2024.

Amount of tax levy (pursuant to annual tax levy ordinance to be approved by the Nassau County Legislature at the time of the adoption of the Nassau County budget for 2023) \$ 52,206,883

**TOTAL REVENUE \$ 185,262,122**

§ 4. There are hereby established regulations relating to the budget of the Community College as follows:

a. The payment of the County's share of the Community College's operating and capital costs as the local sponsor shall be made in conformance with the sponsor's annual budgetary appropriation as contained in this ordinance or as hereafter amended.

b. The payment of all appropriations for the operation, maintenance and capital costs of the Community College shall be made to the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College for expenditure by such Board of Trustees subject to the terms and conditions of such appropriations appearing in this ordinance and to such regulations as may be adopted or hereafter amended by the Nassau County Legislature relating to the custody, deposit, audit and payment of such appropriations as may be deemed necessary to carry out the terms of the budget.

c. The Board of Trustees of the Community College is authorized to elect a treasurer and to establish a bank account or accounts in the name of Nassau Community College depositing therein moneys received or collected by Nassau Community College, including moneys appropriated and paid by the County of Nassau as local sponsor, moneys received from tuition, fees, charges, sales of products and services and from all other sources. The Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall authorize the treasurer to pay all proper bills and accounts of Nassau Community College including salaries and wages from funds in the custody of the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College.

d. Nassau Community College is authorized to expend funds consistent with this ordinance pursuant to limited purchase orders, purchase orders, delivery orders, personal service contracts, vendor claim vouchers, revenue refund vouchers, student financial aid refunds and balance sheet vouchers without pre-audit by the Nassau County Comptroller, provided, however, that the Nassau County Comptroller shall retain the right to pre-audit Community College expenditures relative to capital projects.

e. Supplemental appropriations relating to Nassau Community College shall be subject to the approval of the Nassau County Legislature.

f. The County Comptroller shall continue to retain the right to post-audit all operations of Nassau Community College and Nassau Community College's financial records and transactions, including, but not limited to, Nassau Community College's contracts and vendor payments.

g. The capital project plan proposed each year by the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall be subject to the approval of the Nassau County Legislature as the local sponsor.

h. The Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall direct the Nassau Community College Comptroller to audit accounts maintained at its direction on at least a semi-annual basis and a copy of any report of such accounts of Nassau Community College shall be filed with the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature and the Nassau County Comptroller within ten days after completion of the report.

i. The Nassau County Legislature reserves the right to amend or rescind any existing regulation pertaining to the budget and to amend or rescind any regulation pertaining to the budget that may hereafter be adopted.

j. The Nassau County Treasurer shall be available to serve as treasurer for Nassau Community College pursuant to the designation of the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College of March 9, 1993.

§ 5. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be incorporated as an addendum to the printed version of the final adopted budget document for Nassau Community College.

§ 6. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any committee of said Legislature.

§ 7. It is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, its implementing regulations, and section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County that the adoption of this ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R, and, accordingly, is a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required. A record of such determination shall be maintained in a file, readily accessible to the public, at the office of the Clerk of the Legislature.

§ 8. This Ordinance shall take effect on September 1, 2023.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 35 – 2023**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 75-2022, ADOPTING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF THE FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN, TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2023, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 310 OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2023, pursuant to Section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, the Nassau County Legislature by Ordinance No. 75-2022 approved and adopted the Capital Budget (the “Capital Budget”) of the County of Nassau for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2023, pursuant to Section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, the Nassau County Legislature by Resolution No. 215-2022 approved and adopted the four-year Capital Plan for the County of Nassau for the fiscal years beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026 (the “Capital Plan”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 310 of such County Government Law, the County Executive may propose, at any time subsequent to the passage of the ordinance approving the Capital Budget, an ordinance to amend the Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, based upon a review of the Capital Budget priorities by the Nassau County Department of Public Works, proposes that the amounts described herein be authorized in the Capital Budget for certain projects as hereinafter set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Management and Budget has recommended this amendment to the capital budget with respect to the amendment contained in this ordinance; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by County Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows:

Section 1. The Capital Budget, as adopted by Ordinance No. 75-2022, is amended to the extent indicated in Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein with respect to the projects highlighted in such Appendix and the amounts for such projects listed under the column headings, “Cumulative Budget (Pre 2023 Budget)”, “Expenditures Through 2022”, “Carry Forward”, “2023 County Debt”, “2023 County Self-Funding”, “2023 Non-County”, and “2023 TOTAL”.

Section 2. This ordinance, including Appendix A, may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 36 – 2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Correctional Center.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 22, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
221,785	Federal Drug Enforcement Agency	GRT	CC	AA	29,526
		GRT	CC	AB	2,259
		GRT	CC	BB	117,000
		GRT	CC	DD	73,000

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing



Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 37 – 2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Traffic Safety Board.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 31, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

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<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
6,000.00	NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee	GRT	TS	HH	6,000.00

**BATS23000004**

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
1,033,000.00	NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee	GRT	TS	HH	753,950.00
		GRT	TS	BB	2,000.00
		GRT	TS	DD	67,050.00

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
		GRT	TS	DE	210,000.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 38 –2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Health Department.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 6, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
684,683	Health Research, Inc.	GRT	HE	AA	465,561
		GRT	HE	AB	180,231
		GRT	HE	BB	5,000
		GRT	HE	DD	27,785
		GRT	HE	HH	6,106

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing

Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.





**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 39 – 2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Police Department.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 23, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
1,200,000.00	US Department of Justice Federal Forfeiture Act	GRT	PD	BB	1,200,000

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6

N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 40 –2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Department of Social Services.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 6, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

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<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
150,000	NYS Department of Education	GRT	SS	DE	150,000

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6

N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 41 –2023**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Department of Parks, Recreation & Museums.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 6, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

**BAPK23000002**

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
300,000	NYU Langone Health	GRT	PK	DE	300,000

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this

supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.





PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 42- 2023

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AND TO TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE TO MODIFY CERTAIN DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS.

WHEREAS, it has been determined that certain transfers are needed to modify certain departmental budgets; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 7, 2023, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that transfers of appropriations heretofore made and a supplemental appropriation are required; and

WHEREAS, the transfers and supplemental appropriations have been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW23000023 as follows:

**BTCW23000023**

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>FROM</u>	SS GEN 6000 – SS698	Social Services – General Fund – Recipient Grants	\$ 1,800,000.00
	SS GEN 6600 – WW848	Social Services – General Fund – Emergency Vendor Payments	\$ 2,750,000.00
	PW GEN 0240 – DE548	Public Works – General Fund – Contractual Services	\$ 706,000.00
	PA GEN 1000 – AA98Z	Public Administrator – General Fund – Salaries, Wages & Fees	\$ 2,500.00
	BU GEN 1770 – 87987	Budget – General Fund – Other Suits & Damages	\$ 8,380,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 13,638,500.00</b>
<u>TO</u>	SS GEN 6100 – SS697	Social Services – General Fund – Recipient Grants	\$ 5,100,000.00
	PW GEN 0640 – DF557	Public Works – General Fund - Utilities	\$ 706,000.00
	CC GEN 1000 – DD497	Dept of Corrections – General Fund - General Expenses	\$ 300,000.00
	PA GEN 1000 – DE547	Board of Elections – General Expenses	\$ 2,500.00
	HE GEN 5400 – PP797	Health – General Fund – Early Intervention	\$ 5,000,000.00
	BU GEN 1740 – 67968	Budget – General Fund – Bar Assoc. Admin. Expenses	\$ 30,000.00
	BU GEN 1740 – 67967	Budget – General Fund – Bar Assoc. NC Office of the Pnblc Defender	\$ 2,500,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 13,638,500.00</b>

and

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations and supplemental appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. The County Legislature does also hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget of the year 2023, as hereinabove set forth; and

§2. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

**BABU23000014**

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
10,208,558.00	NYS Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance	GEN	SS GEN 6100	SS697	300,000.00
		GEN	SS GEN 6300	SS697	100,000.00
		GEN	SS GEN 7000	SS697	775,000.00
		GEN	SS GEN 7200	WW847	40,000.00
		GEN	SS GEN 7600	TT747	8,993,558.00

**BABU23000015**

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
2,500,000.00	NYS ILS Program	GEN	BU GEN 1740	67967	2,500,000.00

**BABU23000016**

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
5,000,000.00	NYS Department of Health	GEN	HE GEN 5400	PP797	5,000,000.00

**BABU23000017**

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
50,000.00	US Department of Housing and Urban Development and CDBG National Objective	GEN	HR GEN 1500	AA97Z	45,000.00
		GEN	FB GEN 3100	AB10F	5,000.00

§3. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§4. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 43 - 2023**

**AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO ACCEPT, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AN OFFER OF PURCHASE BY THE GREAT NECK PARK DISTRICT OF CERTAIN PREMISES LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF GREAT NECK, TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD, COUNTY OF NASSAU, STATE OF NEW YORK, SAID PROPERTY KNOWN AS SECTION 1, BLOCK 129, LOT 431 ON THE LAND AND TAX MAP OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A DEED, CONTRACT OF SALE AND ALL PERTINENT DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH TO CONSUMATE THE SALE**

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau did heretofore acquire title to the premises;  
and

WHEREAS, the premises are no longer required by the County of Nassau for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, Great Neck Park District, has requested that the County of Nassau convey to it the aforesaid parcel, pursuant to a certain Contract of Sale, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 1611 of the Nassau County Charter and acting in an advisory capacity to the Nassau County Legislature, the Nassau County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed action and recommended that it be classified as an “Unlisted Action” pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and has further reviewed the Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”) for the proposed action and recommends that the Nassau County Legislature upon its review of the (“EAF”) and any supporting documentation, if any, determine that

the evidence before it indicates that the proposed action will have no significant environmental impact and does not require further environmental review; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Planning Commission, acting in an advisory capacity to the Nassau County Legislature, passed a resolution regarding the proposed action, a copy of such resolution being attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein, recommending that the Nassau County Legislature conclude that no further environmental review or action is required on such proposed action.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDANED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the County Executive he and he is hereby authorized to accept the offer of purchase for said premises described as Section 1, Block 129, Lot 431 on the Land and Tax Map of the County of Nassau subject to all of the terms and conditions as outlined in the contract of sale.

2. That the County Executive he and he is hereby authorized to execute the deed from the County of Nassau, as Grantor to the Great Neck Park District as Grantee, and to execute any ancillary documents and instruments necessary to effectuate the terms of the contract of sale.

3. That it is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the proposed sale of the property has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and that no further review is required for the reasons set forth in the attached Determination of Non-Significance;

4. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 118 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *HINDS V. COUNTY OF NASSAU AND ANTHONY CUMMINGS*, INDEX NO. 605294/2018 PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

WHEREAS, Rosemarie Hinds (the “Plaintiff”) commenced an action against the County of Nassau (the “County”), entitled *Hinds v. County of Nassau and Anthony Cummings*, Index No. 605294/2018, alleging negligence in connection with an accident, and the County has agreed to make payment to Plaintiff in the amount of \$350,000 in full settlement of all possible claims Plaintiff may have against the County in the above titled action; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled in the amount set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action in the amount as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay a maximum of \$350,000 payable as directed by the County Attorney and thereupon delivered to the attorneys for Plaintiff, Rosemarie Hinds, upon receipt of a Settlement Agreement and Limited Release; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 119 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *GLORIA HEARD V. ROBERT SCHADE, COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.* INDEX NO. 608642/2016, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, Gloria Heard (the “Plaintiff”) commenced an action entitled *Gloria Heard v. Robert Schade, County of Nassau, et al.* Index No. 608642/2016 against the County of Nassau (the “County”), alleging negligence, and the parties have agreed to settle said action for \$200,000 in full settlement of all possible claims the Plaintiff may have against the County arising from the circumstances upon which the action is based; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled in the amount set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action in the amount as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay a maximum of \$200,000 as directed by the County Attorney and thereupon delivered to the attorneys for Plaintiff upon receipt of a Settlement Agreement and Limited Release; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 120 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *KIN, INC. F/K/A KOHL'S INC. V. COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.*, INDEX NO. 400748/2021 PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, KIN, Inc. f/k/a Kohl's Inc. (the "Petitioner") commenced an action entitled *KIN, Inc. f/k/a Kohl's Inc. v. County of Nassau, et al.*, Index No. 400748/2021 against the County of Nassau (the "County"), alleging excessive assessment of Petitioner's real property, and the County has agreed to make payment to Petitioner estimated in the amount of \$285,732.00, plus interest at a stipulated rate, in full settlement of all possible claims Petitioner may have against the County arising from the alleged excessive assessment; and

WHEREAS, payments are to be made based upon reductions to the assessed value set forth below of Petitioner's real property, a multi-tenanted local shopping center located at 28 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, NY (Section 17, Block 16, Lot(s) 19, 20, 22, 50, 51) (hereinafter "Petitioner's Property"); and

WHEREAS, the reductions of assessed value for Petitioner's Property are \$0, \$0, \$0, \$0 and \$29,062 for the 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, and 2017/2018 tax years, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled based on the reduced assessed values as set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action based on the reduced assessed values as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay any refund due and owing based upon the reductions of assessed values for Petitioner's Property, which are \$0, \$0, \$0, \$0 and \$29,062 for the 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, and 2017/2018 tax years, respectively; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 121 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *KIOP MERRICK L.P. V. COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.*, INDEX NO. 403029/2021 PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, Kiop Merrick L.P. (the “Petitioner”) commenced an action entitled *Kiop Merrick L.P. v. County of Nassau, et al.*, Index No. 403029/2021 against the County of Nassau (the “County”), alleging excessive assessment of Petitioner’s real property, and the County has agreed to make payment to Petitioner estimated in the amount of \$128,806.00, plus interest at a stipulated rate, in full settlement of all possible claims Petitioner may have against the County arising from the alleged excessive assessment; and

WHEREAS, payments are to be made based upon reductions to the assessed value set forth below of Petitioner’s real property, a multi-tenanted local shopping center located at 1204 Merrick Road, Merrick, NY (Section 62, Block 4, Lot(s) 372-373) (hereinafter “Petitioner’s Property”); and

WHEREAS, the reductions of assessed value for Petitioner’s Property are \$0, \$0, \$0, \$0 and \$15,000 for the 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, and 2018/2019 tax years, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled based on the reduced assessed values as set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action based on the reduced assessed values as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay any refund due and owing based upon the reductions of assessed values for Petitioner’s Property, which are \$0,

\$0, \$0, \$0 and \$15,000 for the 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, and 2018/2019 tax years, respectively; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 122 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *VERIZON NEW YORK, INC. V. COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.* INDEX NO. 402553/2014, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, Verizon New York, Inc. (the “Petitioner”) commenced an action entitled *Verizon New York, Inc. v. County of Nassau, et al.*, Index No. 402553/2014, against the County of Nassau (the “County”), alleging excessive assessment of Petitioner’s real property, and the County has agreed to make payment to Petitioner estimated in the aggregate amount of \$799,730, plus interest at a stipulated rate, in full settlement of all possible claims Petitioner may have against the County arising from the alleged excessive assessment; and

WHEREAS, payments are to be made based upon reductions to the assessed value set forth below of Petitioner’s real property, an owner occupied 3 story elevated industrial building consisting of approximately 82,320 square feet located at 14 Jefferson Avenue, Lynbrook, NY (Section 38, Block 84, Lot(s) 48, 50, 74, 76, 147A) (hereinafter “Petitioner’s Property”); and

WHEREAS, the reductions of assessed values for Petitioner’s Property are \$15,000, \$16,000, \$17,000, \$20,000, \$21,000, \$22,000, \$0 and \$0 for the 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019, 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 tax years, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled based on the reduced assessed values as set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action based on the reduced assessed values as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay any refund due and owing based upon the reductions of assessed values for Petitioner's Property, which are \$15,000, \$16,000, \$17,000, \$20,000, \$21,000, \$22,000, \$0 and \$0 for the 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019, 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 tax years, respectively; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a "Type II" Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 123 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *SRL REALTY LLC V. COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.*, INDEX NO. 400733/2021 PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, SRL Realty LLC (the “Petitioner”) commenced an action entitled *SRL Realty LLC v. County of Nassau, et al.*, Index No. 400733/2021 against the County of Nassau (the “County”), alleging excessive assessment of Petitioner’s real property, and the County has agreed to make payment to Petitioner estimated in the amount of \$117,478, plus interest at a stipulated rate, in full settlement of all possible claims Petitioner may have against the County arising from the alleged excessive assessment; and

WHEREAS, payments are to be made based upon reduction to the assessed value set forth below of Petitioner’s real property, a contemporary house located at 13 Saddle Ridge Road in Westbury, NY (Section 19, Block A, Lot 555) (hereinafter “Petitioner’s Property”); and

WHEREAS, the reduction of assessed value for Petitioner’s Property is \$9,521 for the 2019/2020 tax year; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled based on the reduced assessed values as set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action based on the reduced assessed value as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay any refund due and owing based upon the reduction of assessed value for Petitioner’s Property, which is \$9,521 for the 2019/2020 tax year; and be it further



RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO.**

**124 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFFS, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *CONSTANCE PRIESTER V. NASSAU COUNTY, ET AL.*, EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK (EDNY) DOCKET NO. 601975/2021, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, Constance Priester (the “Plaintiffs”) commenced an action entitled *Constance Priester v. Nassau County, et al.*, Eastern District of New York (EDNY) Docket No. CV-19-3582 (NRM) (AYS) against the County of Nassau (the “County”) and other defendants, alleging certain violations of their rights, and the parties have agreed to settle said action for \$150,000 in full settlement of all possible claims the Plaintiff may have against the County arising from the circumstances upon which the action is based; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled in the amount set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action in the amount as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay a maximum of \$150,000 as directed by the County Attorney and thereupon delivered to the attorneys for Plaintiffs upon receipt of a Settlement Agreement and Limited Release; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 125 - 2023**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *VOLKER V. COUNTY OF NASSAU, ET AL.* INDEX NO. 13-CV-1187, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Volker (the “Plaintiff”) commenced an action entitled *Volker v. County of Nassau, et al.* Index No. 13-CV-1187 against the County of Nassau (the “County”), alleging certain violations of his rights, and the parties have agreed to settle said action for \$250,000 in full settlement of all possible claims the Plaintiff may have against the County arising from the circumstances upon which the action is based; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled in the amount set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to settle the said action in the amount as indicated above, provided that, if any payment arising from said action is to be made from the proceeds of a borrowing, that a bond ordinance to finance such settlement is adopted by this Legislature and any borrowing pursuant to such bond ordinance is approved by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, if such approval is required; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay a maximum of \$250,000 as directed by the County Attorney and thereupon delivered to the attorneys for Plaintiff upon receipt of a Settlement Agreement and Limited Release; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.







PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 126 – 2023

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A GOVERNMENTAL RETIREMENT PLAN UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 401(A) FOR NASSAU COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZING THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION BOARD TO OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF SUCH PLAN.

WHEREAS, by Resolution 793-1986, as amended, Nassau County adopted pursuant to Section 5 of the New York State Finance Law and Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, and implementing rules and regulations, a Deferred Compensation Plan for Nassau County employees; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County by said resolution created and structured a Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board (“Board”) which Board was and is authorized to act in accordance with the relevant Federal and State law and implementing rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 1248-1986, Nassau County authorized the Board to adopt rules and regulations in order to carry out its duties and responsibilities pursuant to Section 5 of the New York State Finance Law, Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, the General Municipal Law and implementing federal and state rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County now seeks to expand the retirement plan options made available to its employees to include a retirement plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board, in light of its decades of experience in overseeing the implementation, administration and operation of the County’s Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plan is uniquely positioned to oversee the implementation, administration and operation of a new Section 401(a) retirement plan; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Nassau County hereby authorizes the establishment of a retirement plan under Internal Revenue Code 401(a) for Nassau County employees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board is hereby authorized to oversee the implementation, administration and operation of such 401(a) retirement plan; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board is hereby authorized to publish competitive Requests for Proposals for necessary services in connection with the 401(a) retirement plan for Nassau County employees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board is hereby authorized and empowered to make, adopt and amend rules and regulations appropriate to the implementation of its responsibilities in connection with the 401(a) retirement plan as provided by the relevant provisions of Federal and State law and related rules and regulations and for the purposes thereof; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board shall file a copy of its rules and regulations and any amendments thereto with the Clerk of the Legislature.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 127 – 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND THE HISPANIC COUNSELING CENTER, INC.

WHEREAS, the County Department of the District Attorney has received civil forfeiture funds to be utilized pursuant to N.Y. Civil Practice Law, Article 13A, Section 1349; and

WHEREAS, the County Department of the District Attorney is desirous of utilizing a portion of the aforesaid funds to support The Hispanic Counseling Center, Inc. to conduct an educational and counseling program known as the “Batterer’s Intervention Program,” which is designed to change the behavior of perpetrators of domestic violence, increase accountability and protect victims and families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute an amendment to the said agreement with The Hispanic Counseling Center, Inc.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 128– 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A HOTEL/MOTEL TAX GRANT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION NASSAU COUNTY

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York (the “State”) pursuant to State Tax Law § 1202-q and appropriated said funds to the County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of tourism in the County by providing grants to existing museums and cultural organizations located in the County for the expenses of on-going operating or program support; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to Cornell Cooperative Extension Nassau County, an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County, for the continuation and enhancement of healthy lifestyles and sustainable communities by conducting educational programs in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Hotel/Motel Tax Grant Agreement (the “Agreement”), and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 129– 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS, AND THE COMMUNITY HEALING AND ARTISTS IN PARTNERSHIP, INC.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 24 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County (“the hotel-motel occupancy tax law”), certain revenue may be used by the County through the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums to fund privately-operated museums for the purpose of improving and advancing the marketability of cultural and historic attractions; and

WHEREAS, the Artists in Partnership, Inc. applied to the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums for a grant to assist with exhibit and program costs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums determined that funding should be awarded to the Artists in Partnership, Inc. for these purposes;

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Legislature approved the agreement to award the grant to Artists in Partnership, Inc.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said amendment to the agreement with the Artists in Partnership, Inc.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 130 – 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS, AND MID-ISLAND Y JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 24 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County (“the hotel-motel occupancy tax law”), certain revenue may be used by the County through the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums to fund privately-operated museums or programs for the purpose of improving and advancing the marketability of cultural and historic attractions; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Island Y Jewish Community Center applied to the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums for a grant to assist with exhibit and program costs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums has determined that funding should be awarded to the Mid-Island Y Jewish Community Center for these purposes; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Mid-Island Y Jewish Community Center.

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 131 – 2023**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN NASSAU COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD TO PROVIDE LIFEGUARDS AND FIRST AID SERVICES AT NICKERSON BEACH FOR THE SWIMMING POOLS.**

WHEREAS, Eugene Nickerson Beach Park (“Nickerson Beach”) in Lido Beach, New York is owned and operated by the County of Nassau (the “County”); and

WHEREAS, the County authorized a Municipal Cooperation Agreement (the “Agreement”) under CPQK20000018 with the Town of Hempstead (the “Town”) whereby the County paid the Town to provide lifeguards and first aid services at Nickerson Beach for the ocean beach and swimming pools (the “Services”); and

WHEREAS, the execution of this Amendment is in the public interest and in the best interests of the County and the Town; and

WHEREAS, the County negotiated the Amendment to the Agreement with the Town to continue to provide Services at Nickerson, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby approves Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Amendment to the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 132- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE LEVITTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO RENOVATE MEETING ROOMS 1 AND 2 AT LEVITTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Levittown Public Library (“the Library”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County to share resources in the undertaking of municipal projects and other purposes through joint projects or programs with other municipalities and districts; and

WHEREAS, the Library is interested in undertaking a project to renovate meeting rooms 1 and 2 at Levittown public library (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Library desire to enter into a the Agreement, a copy of which is on file with the clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the County and the District believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 133- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH IN RELATION TO THE PURCHASE OF A ZAMBONI.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the City of Long Beach (“the City”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the City for the City to undertake the procurement and purchase of a Zamboni and to make such resources available for mutual use (the “Project”); NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute an Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 134- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ATLANTIC BEACH FIRE DISTRICT IN RELATION TO THE PURCHASE OF DEFIBRILLATORS.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Atlantic Beach Fire District (“the District”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the District for the District to undertake the procurement and purchase of defibrillators and to make such resources available for mutual use (the “Project”); NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute an Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO.135- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO CONTINUE TO CONDUCT MONITORING AND HABITAT MANAGEMENT OF PIPING PLOVER NESTING AREAS AT NICKERSON BEACH.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Town of Hempstead (“the Town”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the Town to continue to conduct monitoring and habitat management of piping plover nesting areas at Nickerson Beach (the “Project”); NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute an amendment to the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 136- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF GREAT NECK PLAZA IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Village of great Neck Plaza (“the Village”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the Village to purchase and procure Flashing Solar Powered LED Stop Signs (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Inter-Municipal Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO.137- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BELLMORE FIRE DISTRICT IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Bellmore Fire District (“the District”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the District to purchase and procure Max Fire Box Phase II Educational Package “Burn and Learn” and a new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Systems and related items (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the District believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Inter-Municipal Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 138- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTBURY WATER AND FIRE DISTRICT IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Westbury Water and Fire District (“the District”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the District to purchase and procure emergency response equipment and related items (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the District believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Inter-Municipal Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 139- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF GREAT NECK PLAZA IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Village of Great Neck Plaza (“the Village”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the Village to purchase and procure radar speed signs and related items (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Inter-Municipal Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 140- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FREEPORT IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO MAKE REPAIRS TO THE FREEPORT VILLAGE ARMORY AND RELATED ITEMS.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Incorporated Village of Freeport (“the Village”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County to share resources in the undertaking of municipal projects and other purposes through joint projects or programs with other municipalities and districts; and

WHEREAS, the Village is interested in undertaking a project for repairs to the Freeport Village Armory and related items (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village desire to enter into a the Agreement, a copy of which is on file with the clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the County and the Village believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 141- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF MINEOLA IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“the County”) and the Village of Mineola (“the Village”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and the Village to purchase and procure emergency response equipment and related items (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Inter-Municipal Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement and to execute any and all other instruments, related documents or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the intent and purpose of the Agreement; and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 142- 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Office of Community Development is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”), HOME Investment Partnership (“HOME”), and the Emergency Shelter Grant (“ESG”), programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”); and

WHEREAS, each year, Nassau County must submit to HUD an annual plan outlining the proposed use of funds received through such programs; and

WHEREAS, this year, Nassau County will submit to HUD its annual plan for the 49<sup>th</sup> Program Year CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding; and

WHEREAS, such application for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds is currently on file with the Clerk of the Legislature of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, such application for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds be and is hereby authorized by this Legislature to be filed with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute any grant agreements or other documentation in relation to receipt of such grant funds.

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 143 – 2023**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023**

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 22, 2023 addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW23000020 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. BTCW23000020

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	HE GRT A491 – AB10F	Health Department – Grant Fund – Fringe Benefits	\$ 9,989.00
	HE GRT A491 - DD498	Health Department – Grant Fund – General Expenses	\$ 888.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 10,877.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	HE GR A491 – AA97Z	Health Department – Grant Fund – Salary, Wages, & Fees	\$ 10,877.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 10,877.00</b>

and;

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2023, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any

mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 144 – 2023**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 30, 2023 addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW23000015 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. BTCW23000015

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	ES ARP 3000 – 33933	American Rescue Plan – General Reserves	\$ 198,403,440.00
	ES ARP 3010 – 6F60F	American Rescue Plan – ARP Direct Payments	\$ 51,143,625.00
	ES ARP 3101 – DE548	American Rescue Plan – Contractual Services	\$ 10,000,000.00
	ES ARP 3105 – DE548	American Rescue Plan – Contractual Services	\$ 10,000,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 269,547,065.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	ES ARP 3000 – LB611	American Rescue Plan – Transfer to General Fund	\$ 250,000,000.00
	ES ARP 3000 – LS60S	American Rescue Plan – Transfer to SSW	\$ 19,547,065.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 269,547,065.00</b>

and;

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2023, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 145 – 2023**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023**

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 23, 2023 addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW23000021 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. BTCW23000021

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	PD-GRT-JU20 – DD498	Health Department- Grant Fund – General Expenses	\$ 19,142.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 19,142.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	PD-GRT-JU20 -BB197	Health Department- Grant Funds- Equipment	\$ 19,142.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 19,142.00</b>

and;

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2023, as hereinabove set forth; and  
be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 146-2023

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MARCO TROIANO TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NASSAU COUNTY LOCAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND FINANCING CORPORATION

WHEREAS, Resolution 255-2010 created the Nassau County Local Economic Assistance and Financing Corporation (the “Corporation”) pursuant to section 1411 of the New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 255-2010, the Corporation shall have no fewer than three (3) Directors nor more than seven (7) Directors appointed by this Legislature, which Directors may, but shall not be required to be, appointed from among the members of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency, who shall serve at the pleasure of this Legislature and shall serve without compensation; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that Marco Troiano is duly appointed as a member of the Corporation’s Board of Directors, to serve until his successor is appointed and have been qualified.

RESOLUTION NO. 146-A – 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE LEVITTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of tourism in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to the Levittown Public Library, a government agency located within the County, for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Levittown Public Library.

RESOLUTION NO. 146-B – 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS, AND LONG ISLAND ARTS COUNCIL AT FREEPORT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 24 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County (“the hotel-motel occupancy tax law”), certain revenue may be used by the County through the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums to fund privately-operated museums or programs for the purpose of improving and advancing the marketability of cultural and historic attractions; and

WHEREAS, the Long Island Arts Council at Freeport applied to the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums for a grant to assist with exhibit and program costs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreations and Museums has determined that funding should be awarded to the Long Island Arts Council at Freeport for these purposes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Long Island Arts Council at Freeport.

**EMERGENCY RESOLUTION NO. 8 – 2023**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION UPON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE LEVITTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Bruce Blakeman, County Executive, has submitted to this County Legislature a written recommendation dated June 26, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the County Government Law of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation refers to an emergency resolution declaring an emergency for immediate action upon a resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement between the County of Nassau, acting on behalf of the County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums and the Levittown Public Library; and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation is that the County Legislature adopt a resolution declaring that an emergency exists in Nassau County the nature of which is to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolution; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature hereby declares that an emergency exists within Nassau County, the nature of which is to consider and to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolution before this Legislature.





**EMERGENCY RESOLUTION NO. 9 – 2023**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION UPON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND LONG ISLAND ARTS COUNCIL AT FREEPORT.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Bruce Blakeman, County Executive, has submitted to this County Legislature a written recommendation dated June 26, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the County Government Law of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation refers to an emergency resolution declaring an emergency for immediate action upon a resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement between the County of Nassau, acting on behalf of the County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums and Long Island Arts Council at Freeport; and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation is that the County Legislature adopt a resolution declaring that an emergency exists in Nassau County the nature of which is to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolution; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature hereby declares that an emergency exists within Nassau County, the nature of which is to consider and to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolution before this Legislature.



NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
FULL LEGISLATURE MEETING

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RICHARD NICOLELLO, PRESIDING OFFICER

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**County Executive and Legislative Building**  
**1550 Franklin Avenue**  
**Mineola, New York**

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Monday, June 26, 2023

1:24 p.m.

TAKEN BY: KAREN LORENZO, OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

LEGISLATOR RICHARD J. NICOLELLO

Presiding Officer

9TH Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR HOWARD KOPEL

Deputy Presiding Officer

7th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR DENISE FORD

Alternate Presiding Officer

4th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR KEVAN ABRAHAMS

Minority Leader

1st Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR SIELA BYNOE (RECUSED ITEM 29)

2nd Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR CARRIE SOLAGES

3rd Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR DEBRA MULE

5th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR C. WILLIAM GAYLOR, III

6th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR JOHN J. GIUFFRE

8th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR MAZI MELESA PILIP

10th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON

11th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR JAMES KENNEDY

12th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR THOMAS MCKEVITT (RECUSED ITEM 19)

13th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR LAURA SCHAEFER

14th Legislative District

LEGISLATOR JOHN FERRETTI, JR.

15th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR ARNOLD W. DRUCKER

16th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR ROSE MARIE WALKER

17th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR JOSHUA LAFAZAN

18th Legislative District

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LEGISLATOR MICHAEL GIANGREGORIO (RECUSED ITEM 26)

19th Legislative District

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MICHAEL PULITZER

Clerk of the Legislature

ALSO APPEARED:

**TOP COPS**

Third Squad Detective Thomas Daly

Third Squad Detective Michael Echavarria

Third Squad Detective James Higgins

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3rd Pct Police Officer Andrew Smith

3rd Pct Police Officer Christopher Riebl

Kevin Mullick, VP PBA

Chief Palmer

Jeff Gross, DAI

**Public comment:**

David Stern

Domenica Califano

Corinne Kaufman

Pearl Jacobs

Chris Jacobs

Susan Hansen

Meta J. Mereday

Marie Reimers

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Ladies and gentlemen, we're going to call this meeting of the Nassau County Legislature to order and ask Legislator Mazi Pilip to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Please rise.

(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance is said by all.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank you very much. Mike, could you please call the roll?

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you, Presiding Officer.

Deputy Presiding Officer Howard Kopel?

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Alternate Deputy Presiding Officer Denise Ford?

LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Siela Bynoe?

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Carrie A. Solages?



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LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Debra  
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LEGISLATOR MULE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator C.  
William Gaylor, III?

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.  
Legislator John Giuffre?

LEGISLATOR GIUFFRE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Mazi  
Pilip?

LEGISLATOR PILIP: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Delia  
DeRiggi-Whitton?

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator James  
Kennedy?

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.  
Legislator Thomas McKevitt?

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Laura  
Schaefer?

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John  
Ferretti?

LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Arnold  
Drucker?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Rose  
Marie Walker?

LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Joshua  
Lafazan?

LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator  
Giangregorio?

LEGISLATOR GIANGREGORIO: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Minority Leader  
Kevan Abrahams?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Presiding Officer  
Richard Nicoletto?

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: We have a quorum,  
sir.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
Thank you very much.

Welcome to the meeting of the County  
Legislature. We will be getting to the  
public comment portion in a little while.  
If you intend to partake in that, there  
are slips over here that have to be  
filled out and given to the Clerk's  
Office at this table over here and we'll  
call you up and do turn.

Before we get to that, we have a  
couple of items that we traditionally  
handle during the beginning of our  
Legislative meetings. We have the Top Cop  
presentations and some Points of Personal  
Privilege.

So to start things off, it's our  
privilege to invite up Kevin Mullick, the  
Vice President of the Nassau County PBA,  
for a presentation. Hello, Kevin.

MR. MULLICK: Good afternoon,  
everyone. My name is Kevin Mullick. I'm  
the First Vice President of Nassau County  
PBA. It is always an honor and privilege

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2 to read Top Cop when I'm here at the  
3 Ledge.

4 So for Legislative Top Cops, it's a  
5 lifesaver for June of 2023. On April 28,  
6 2023, Third Precinct police officers  
7 received a 911 call for an eight-year-old  
8 girl that was armed with a knife and  
9 walking at the traffic on Stewart Avenue,  
10 which is a highly traveled road. The  
11 young girl was threatening to kill  
12 herself. Police officer Andrew Smith and  
13 Police Officer Christopher Riebl were  
14 first on scene. The officers observed the  
15 young girl armed with a butcher knife at  
16 the curb of Stewart Avenue. They gave  
17 numerous verbal commands to drop the  
18 knife, which were ignored. In a swift,  
19 decisive action, the officers worked  
20 together with one officer distracting the  
21 the young girl while the other officer,  
22 using sound tactics, approached the girl  
23 from behind and physically removed the  
24 knife from her hand.

25 The young girl reiterated to

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2 officers that she no longer wanted to  
3 live and she wanted to kill herself. A  
4 Nassau County Police ambulance responded  
5 to the scene and assisted transporting  
6 the young girl to Nassau County  
7 University Medical Center for a  
8 psychological evaluation.

9 Due the officer's quick response and  
10 remaining calm under pressure, they saved  
11 this child's life. The Nassau County PBA  
12 is proud to announce police officers  
13 Andrew Smith and Chris Riebl as the  
14 legislative Top Cops of June of 2023.

15 (Whereupon, applause.)

16 OFFICER SMITH: Hey, everyone. I just  
17 want to thank everyone on behalf of me  
18 and my partner, Chris, here. I want to  
19 thank Commissioner Ryder, County  
20 Executive Blakeman, the Legislature, the  
21 whole Department as a whole, cops and  
22 bosses.

23 Being prepared with the opportunity  
24 to help out, we created our own luck that  
25 day. And I appreciate everyone and we're

truly honored.

Thank you.

(Whereupon, applause.)

CHIEF PALMER: Hi, good afternoon.

And just on behalf of Commissioner Ryder and the entire Department, I wanted to say thank you so much to the Legislature. You have always been unwavering in your support for this Department. As special as the actions of our members were, this is what we expect from them and we know that the residents of Nassau County expect from them day in and day out.

So thank you for taking the time for this acknowledgement. But you're seeing the best of the best, and we expect that every day.

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Legislator Bynoe.

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Thank you, Presiding Officer.

Well, Officers, I can't thank you enough. You were grace under fire. I'm

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2 always in awe of the extraordinary work  
3 of the Nassau County Police officers. But  
4 today, I'm really in awe of your  
5 precision, your compassion in the moment.  
6 You lived up to the exacting standards of  
7 your job. I have to tell you that I've  
8 been here nine plus years and we've been  
9 doing this, I guess maybe about five  
10 years or so, and this was one of the more  
11 bloodcurdling stories that I heard. An  
12 eight-year-old young woman, young lady  
13 who was struggling, struggling probably  
14 under the pressures of all of today's  
15 issues.

16 So while I congratulate you today  
17 for your extraordinary work, it is a  
18 clarion call for us as legislators and  
19 lawmakers and our commissioners of Health  
20 and Human Services and the like to make  
21 sure that we really have programs that  
22 can undergird these communities as they  
23 struggle under the chronic stressors that  
24 are relevant and prevalent in our  
25 communities, especially after COVID.

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2 Our officers did an extraordinary  
3 job, and I thank God that they were there  
4 at the right time because it seems as  
5 though if they had come just a little bit  
6 longer, the story may have turned out  
7 different. So may God bless you and keep  
8 you and thank you for your service.

9 (Whereupon, applause).

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
11 Legislator Schaefer and then Legislator  
12 Giuffre.

13 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Good afternoon.  
14 I also represent part of the third. So  
15 this is one of those scenarios that I'm  
16 sure -- well, I'm not sure, but I imagine  
17 to some extent even was completely  
18 shocking to you as well. To hear of the  
19 circumstances is just awful. And it's not  
20 something you ever want to hear that  
21 there's a young girl that is eight years  
22 old that feels that way.

23 But as the chief said, we support  
24 you. We always support you. And this is  
25 why, because this is what we get when we



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2 support, as you said, the best of the  
3 best. And I just really want to thank you  
4 so much for your efforts and for the  
5 amazing things that our County Police  
6 Department does.

7 (Whereupon, applause.)

8 LEGISLATOR GIUFFRE: So the Third  
9 Precinct is covers Stewart Manor, my home  
10 village. And I just want to acknowledge  
11 that you said something about luck and  
12 preparation. So my firm belief is there's  
13 no such thing as luck. Luck is when  
14 preparation meets opportunity and you had  
15 an opportunity to save a life. You were  
16 prepared. You acted on the training that  
17 has been provided to you and that you  
18 absorbed so well and you did what your  
19 training called you to do and we are  
20 grateful and so is that little girl and  
21 her family.

22 Thank you. God bless you.

23 (Whereupon, applause.)

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
25 We're going to invite you up in a couple

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2 of minutes for presentation.

3 Thank you.

4 The next presentation is for the  
5 Detectives Association, and I'd like to  
6 invite up its president, Jeff Gross.

7 Jeff, before you speak, I know that  
8 this is your last meeting as the  
9 President of the DAI and I wanted to say  
10 on behalf of all of us, it really has  
11 been a privilege to work with you these  
12 years. The County and our residents are  
13 very fortunate that you've had that  
14 leadership role and also that you've  
15 served so well in the Nassau County  
16 Police Department. You've always been a  
17 very strong advocate for your members,  
18 which we appreciate very much, and you've  
19 always had their best interest at heart.  
20 You've done an excellent job.

21 So congratulations and thank you.

22 MR. GROSS: Thank you very much. I  
23 didn't expect that. But half of that was  
24 my speech, so.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

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2 Minority Leader Abrahams would like to  
3 say something.

4 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Just wanted to  
5 thank you, Jeff. I Just wanted to  
6 acknowledge your commitment to our  
7 county, to our members. I know,  
8 obviously, advocating as a collective  
9 bargaining unit or a union president,  
10 your members have been first and  
11 foremost, but you never lost sight of how  
12 that translates to ensuring that we  
13 provide the great services to this  
14 county. You've always advocated, which  
15 rightfully so, that we need more  
16 detectives as well as your predecessors  
17 in regards to making sure our county  
18 remains safe. So your ultimate focus has  
19 always been on public safety. And I  
20 wanted to make sure that we acknowledge  
21 you today. I didn't even know you were  
22 planning to leave the County. But I wish  
23 you nothing but success in your  
24 retirement goals and look forward to  
25 being able to work with your successor as

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2 well. But I wanted to make sure you are  
3 acknowledged on this very precious day.

4 Thank you again.

5 MR. GROSS: Thank you very much. I  
6 appreciate that. So I won't have to  
7 introduce myself, but I do want to thank  
8 the Majority Leader Rich Nicolello, and  
9 the Minority Leader Kevin Abrahams, and  
10 the Full Legislative Body for doing this  
11 each month. I think it means a lot to our  
12 members. It's great for morale, but it's  
13 also great for the public to hear exactly  
14 the difficult work that these guys do  
15 every day.

16 And as the Chief said, you know,  
17 failure is not an option for us. You  
18 know, we aim for perfection. We may not  
19 always get it, but we try for it. And  
20 these guys risk their lives every day,  
21 all the police unions and other public  
22 workers and we appreciate the fact that  
23 you even recognize this. So thank you  
24 very much for that.

25 But yeah, as you said, this is my

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2 last time addressing you as the President  
3 and I just wanted to recognize the hard  
4 work that you guys do. Over the last  
5 couple of years, I've got to meet each  
6 one of you, more or less, in different  
7 depths, if you will. But, I always  
8 appreciate the fact that you guys always  
9 listened. You may not agree with me or my  
10 predecessors on issues, but the fact that  
11 you sat down and you listened and you  
12 tried to understand or tried to get us to  
13 understand your point of view, is  
14 invaluable and I thank you for that. Each  
15 and every one of you guys.

16 I know a lot of the legislators are  
17 actually leaving as well at the end of  
18 the year. I wish you guys the best of  
19 luck, too. It's not lost on me, the  
20 service, the public service that you get.  
21 I also realize that a lot of you after a  
22 while think it's a thankless job. And as  
23 a Nassau County resident, I have to tell  
24 you, it's not thankless. I appreciate the  
25 work you do. I know that most of what you

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2 get, 99% of it are complaints and very  
3 few people come to say thank you. But I'm  
4 here and my members are here to say thank  
5 you for what you do for us every single  
6 day. And you guys never lose focus for  
7 the residents. I see the battles that  
8 you guys have to go through. And again,  
9 it's not lost on me. I appreciate the  
10 work that you guys do. So for those who  
11 are leaving, congratulations and I wish  
12 you the best of luck as you wished to me.

13 And those who are staying, just keep  
14 that focus. Realize that, you know you do  
15 make a difference. You don't hear a lot  
16 about it. But we make a difference on the  
17 street and you guys make a difference,  
18 too. And the fact that you put the  
19 residents first and foremost, even though  
20 it's not recognized or maybe felt by you  
21 guys, by a lot of us, it is, but we're  
22 probably too silent. So as a Nassau  
23 County resident, thank you for what you  
24 guys do every day.

25 (Whereupon, applause.)

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
3 you very much, Jeff. I appreciate it.

4 MR. GROSS: Okay, so today I'm here  
5 to honor members of the Third Squad,  
6 Detectives Thomas Daly, Mike Echavarria  
7 and James Higgins.

8 This really started on May the 31st.  
9 We had two suspects come in or people  
10 come in from Canada into the United  
11 States. First they flew from Montreal  
12 into Atlanta, and then they worked their  
13 way up to JFK Airport on June the 6th.  
14 The purpose of them coming was to scam  
15 elderly people, which we hear about this  
16 all the time. It's a very difficult case  
17 to get. A lot of people don't come  
18 forward with these cases because they're  
19 either embarrassed or not fully aware  
20 exactly what happened. But these people  
21 came in and they posed as bails bondsman  
22 and they wanted to collect money for the  
23 victims relatives who were supposedly  
24 arrested.

25 Since they came to Nassau County,

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2 they attempted \$9,200 from a 73-year-old  
3 woman from East Meadow on June the 7th.  
4 But they had stolen \$37,250 from an  
5 86-year-old woman from Herricks who  
6 believed that her grandson was under  
7 arrest.

8 On June the 10th, that same  
9 86-year-old victim -- they managed to  
10 successfully get money from her twice --  
11 on June the 10th, she went to the bank to  
12 make another withdrawal of \$22,000. The  
13 bank people recognized her and they  
14 called 911. The police responded. They  
15 called the Squad and Detectives Daly,  
16 Echavarria and Higgins came and responded  
17 very quickly. They went back to the  
18 victim's house. They spent a couple of  
19 hours interviewing her. They had her  
20 contact the suspects for a money drop,  
21 and they were successful in getting one  
22 of the suspects, bringing the money to  
23 the door. That was Detectives Daly and  
24 Higgins. And Detective Echavarria  
25 actually got the getaway driver down the



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2 block. They were successful in getting  
3 all of the parties involved in this. They  
4 got a confession out of them. They  
5 recovered \$27,128 from other scams that  
6 they had committed. They secured the  
7 money as evidence, and both suspects were  
8 charged with numerous attempted larcenies  
9 and larcenies.

10 These guys did a phenomenal job. The  
11 fact that they did it so quickly to  
12 locate the guys, to recover the money and  
13 make the arrests on these cases, which  
14 are not ordinarily solved as quickly or  
15 readily. And so the fact that these guys  
16 dropped everything, devised a plan, put  
17 it in motion and were successful at it,  
18 is phenomenal. So I applaud them. And  
19 that's why the detectives of the month.

20 (Whereupon, applause.)

21 DETECTIVE DALY: Hello, everybody.

22 On behalf of myself, my partner,  
23 Detective Echavarria, Detective Higgins,  
24 we want to thank everybody here. Thank  
25 the Chiefs in attendance, thank

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2 Commissioner Ryder and County Executive  
3 Blakeman. But we especially wanted to  
4 thank actually the victim in this case  
5 who was instrumental in taking these guys  
6 down. Once this person realized that it  
7 was a scam, they were a complete all  
8 star, and if it wasn't for them, none of  
9 this would have been possible. So thank  
10 you again for your consideration.

11 Have a great day, everybody.

12 (Whereupon, applause.)

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

14 Commissioner, I didn't know if you want  
15 to add a few words.

16 CHIEF PALMER: I'll be brief. But if  
17 you've never had anyone in your life have  
18 this happen to them, I know everyone in  
19 this room can imagine what that's like to  
20 have someone that you love dearly preyed  
21 upon like this. And these detectives went  
22 out of their way. They did again, what we  
23 asked them to do every day, to protect  
24 the most vulnerable people in our  
25 society. So they have my heartfelt

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2 thanks. And I know they have that of  
3 every person in this room here today. I  
4 commend them for their actions. And once  
5 again, we're here to serve the people of  
6 Nassau County in the best way we can, so  
7 we expect that from them.

8 Thank you.

9 (Whereupon, applause.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

11 Legislator McKevitt.

12 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: You know, it's  
13 amazing the depths some people will sink  
14 to try to go and take advantage of senior  
15 citizens. And as Jeff mentioned, this has  
16 been going on a lot as of late. And I  
17 think know one thing we do is we got to  
18 get the word out there that if anyone  
19 suspects anything, to get you in charge,  
20 get you in control, because you do such a  
21 phenomenal job.

22 You know, one thing about detectives  
23 is, you work behind the scenes, you work  
24 quietly. But this is really a great where  
25 you are cooperating not only with the

1  
2 victim, but with a bank employee who saw  
3 something going on as well, too, and you  
4 stopped it from happening. And we really  
5 need to do a better job in our behalf to  
6 get the word out there that if you try  
7 this in Nassau County, we're going to  
8 stop you, you're going to pay the price.

9 So again, thank you for the work  
10 you're doing. Unfortunately, I think  
11 you're still going to be very busy doing  
12 this work. But I feel better at night  
13 knowing that you're in charge to stop  
14 this from happening in the future.

15 Thank you for your service.

16 (Whereupon, applause.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

18 Minority Leader Abrahams and then  
19 Legislator Ford.

20 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I have a  
21 personal, heartfelt thank you to you  
22 because my parents actually almost fell  
23 victim to this. They fall into the same  
24 demographic of some of the victims in  
25 this case. I'm elected in office and my

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2 parents yet received a call, someone  
3 pretending to be a bail bondsman  
4 representing the IRS. In this case, they  
5 weren't talking about arresting me,  
6 thankfully. They were talking about  
7 arresting actually her as part of an IRS  
8 in terms of back taxes.

9 Now, as a senior, you would think my  
10 parents don't have back taxes. And at the  
11 same time getting a call from the IRS, we  
12 try to educate our public that that call  
13 is not going to happen. Usually the IRS  
14 communicates in different ways. But my  
15 parents were hysterical. I mean, they  
16 actually really thought that someone was  
17 coming to their door to the to the degree  
18 I had to make a phone call in the County  
19 because they had indicated that the  
20 Sheriff's Department was coming  
21 imminently to arrest them.

22 But this is something that luckily  
23 my mother had the wherewithal to at least  
24 call me. But this is something that is  
25 happening constantly. So your ability to

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2 be able to route this out goes beyond  
3 volumes.

4 Obviously, as a legislator for a  
5 portion of area that I share with  
6 Legislator McKeivitt for East Meadow, I  
7 know our constituents are very thankful  
8 for what you are able to do. So thank you  
9 again for your commitment to our  
10 residents and to our county.

11 (Whereupon, applause.)

12 LEGISLATOR FORD: First, Jeff, I  
13 just want to wish you good luck in your  
14 retirement.

15 I do want to thank you also. You  
16 know, when you get to a certain age, you  
17 start believing anything. And I know that  
18 a lot of my residents and like you have  
19 on family members, they get these  
20 letters, they get these phone calls, and  
21 they start thinking that this is  
22 something that's very, very real. And  
23 these people who do this are very  
24 sophisticated, obviously, well trained,  
25 well funded. They're taking money left

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2 and right.

3 We're dealing with some people right  
4 now. We recently had a senior scam  
5 program where they came out and so many  
6 people came in to hear about how you  
7 could fall prey to scams. And it would be  
8 a great partnership with our Police  
9 Department so that we're being forewarned  
10 and trying to educate the public.

11 And I have to say that I know that  
12 you thanked the resident for working with  
13 you. But I think also, don't  
14 underestimate your approach to this  
15 woman. I'm sure that you were very kind,  
16 very compassionate, very understanding,  
17 and you were able to get her confidence.  
18 And I think that that's the most  
19 important thing. Because you know what?  
20 If you fall prey to something like this,  
21 you can be very embarrassed. You don't  
22 want anyone to know that all of a sudden  
23 you've given \$3000, \$5000, \$8,000 to  
24 somebody, because it's very, very  
25 embarrassing. So I'm sure that you

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2 actually handled it in the right way so  
3 that this person felt very comfortable to  
4 be able to confide in you what has  
5 happened. So I thank you very much.

6 And once again, Chief Palmer, like  
7 you said, you expect the best, you get  
8 the best.

9 Thank you.

10 (Whereupon, applause.)

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Legislator Walker.

13 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Jeff, I just  
14 want to congratulate you and thank you  
15 for all you have done while serving as  
16 president and before that. You have  
17 certainly made a difference here in  
18 Nassau County. And we can't thank you  
19 enough for that.

20 To all of your detectives, this work  
21 and all the work you do day in and day  
22 out doesn't go unnoticed. And you truly  
23 are the best of the best.

24 And I could tell you on a personal  
25 level, you know, we send out a notify our



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2 residents of of scam workshops that we're  
3 going to have and they can come and  
4 listen and know what they shouldn't do,  
5 what they should do. Yet, I, myself, got  
6 an e-mail, a text message, a phone call  
7 from TD Bank and telling me that someone  
8 tried to take \$1,000 out of my account.  
9 And I somewhat thought it was  
10 questionable. But I'm thinking I have all  
11 these things on my phone and in mail and  
12 speaking to someone from TD Bank, I  
13 actually reached out to Legislator  
14 Ferretti because his wife happens to work  
15 for the bank and he says, you know what?  
16 That itself might be the scam. And it  
17 turned out that that phone call and  
18 e-mail and everything was the actual  
19 scam. So TD Bank, ended up closing my  
20 account out, and it was right before  
21 Christmas, opening a new account, having  
22 to get new new bank cards. It just was a  
23 big, big hassle on for me. Thank God no  
24 money was taken. I don't think they could  
25 have taken too much out of my account

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2 anyway. There wasn't much in there. But  
3 just knowing that you can get scammed so  
4 easily and thinking that all this was  
5 coming to me looking like it was TD Bank  
6 and it wasn't, obviously. So I just warn  
7 everybody. We try to get that message  
8 out to all our residents. And you coming  
9 here today and reedifying that makes a  
10 big difference. And even our young  
11 people, it can happen. And I know they're  
12 very savvy with all their technology. But  
13 it can happen to any of us. We all need  
14 to stay on top of it. We all need to  
15 educate more and more of our public.

16 And again, thank you so much for  
17 what you do day in and day out. And God  
18 bless you, all.

19 (Whereupon, applause.)

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
21 Thank you very much. And why don't you  
22 all come on up for a presentation.

23 (Whereupon, citations  
24 presented and photos taken.)

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So the  
3 Points of Personal Privilege start off  
4 with Legislator Rose Walker.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you,  
6 Legislator Nicolello. And I would ask  
7 all my friends from Lutheran Church  
8 charities, K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry, if  
9 they'd come up with our beautiful,  
10 wonderful comfort dogs, Abraham and  
11 Beloved.

12 I'm going to let them tell a little  
13 bit about the ministry. But just before  
14 they do, we are very blessed in  
15 Hicksville, at Trinity Lutheran Church.  
16 We have two comfort dogs here. We have  
17 Abraham and I guess about two years ago  
18 we got Beloved. And although they are  
19 located in Hicksville, I could tell you  
20 that they do so much throughout our  
21 county and beyond our county with the  
22 service dogs. So I'm going to let you  
23 tell a little bit about the ministry and  
24 what the service dogs do. And then I'm  
25 going to tell a little bit of something.

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2 MS. HAYNES: Good morning. My name  
3 is Donna Haynes. I am the Top Dog or  
4 Ministry Director for Abraham and Beloved  
5 Comfort Dog out of Trinity Lutheran in  
6 Hicksville.

7 The Comfort Dog Ministry started  
8 when Katrina happened down in Louisiana.  
9 Folks were displaced from their homes,  
10 sent to places they had no idea, and  
11 their anxiety was through the roof.  
12 Lutheran Church charities showed up with  
13 four golden retrievers, and that's where  
14 this program started.

15 Today, there are 140 of these golden  
16 retrievers across the country, 27 states.  
17 And you have the two New York dogs here.  
18 We represent New York, and we're the only  
19 two here.

20 There are 26 team members on our  
21 team. We're represented by three police  
22 officers. We have two retired police  
23 officers, NYPD and Nassau County. I also  
24 have a active duty Bay Constable to  
25 represent our Police Ministry, where we

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2 go to the 911 call center, the  
3 communications building. We've been to  
4 some of the police funerals and some  
5 other events with those. I also have with  
6 us our Veteran Ministry. They represent  
7 the Marine Corps and the Army. And we've  
8 gone to the nursing homes, many of the  
9 military events that are in our  
10 communities.

11 These dogs are in your community.  
12 They're in your nursing homes, in the  
13 hospitals, in the schools. We're all  
14 over. But when crisis happens, we have  
15 paws and boots on the ground in 24 hours.  
16 You've seen our dogs across the country  
17 because you've seen us respond to the  
18 towers collapsing in Miami, to the  
19 shootings that have happened across the  
20 country. That's us.

21 And how do you know it's us? Because  
22 in many cases you've seen the blue hearts  
23 that people are signing. The blue hearts  
24 are there for the folks to give a message  
25 of peace and comfort to those victims and

1  
2 their families.

3 But today I have a heart for  
4 something else. If you go to the  
5 communication center, we've presented the  
6 hearts to the 911 telecommunicators.  
7 After COVID, we had been there with them.  
8 They were on the floor crying with us to  
9 get that stress out. Today, Rose, this  
10 is for you. You've been a huge help and  
11 support to Trinity and our Comfort Dog  
12 Ministry.

13 Rose has self-appointed herself,  
14 Grandma Rose and we love her for it. We  
15 recently, with Rose's help, was called to  
16 a school because of a a stabbing. A  
17 middle school. One student stabbed  
18 another. Now, we thought we were going  
19 there for the rest of the students. We  
20 found that we were there for the staff.  
21 They didn't get in the front door and the  
22 staff were on the floor crying, just  
23 releasing the stress from what happened a  
24 few days beforehand.

25 So thank you, Rose, for helping. And

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2 by the way, happy birthday.

3 (Whereupon, applause.)

4 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you.

5 I truly cannot thank them enough. I  
6 tell you, during COVID, they were all  
7 over, and all over our county, wherever  
8 they were needed. Certainly, I had  
9 actually reached out to the Roslyn School  
10 District after their terrible tragedy  
11 that they had a short while ago and  
12 offered their assistance. And sometimes,  
13 they don't want it right away, but  
14 sometimes they'll call later.

15 But what you did over in Lindenhurst  
16 just blew my mind. And the messages that  
17 we received back, that you received back  
18 that I did from staff, from parents, from  
19 the children -- but I think, the staff,  
20 sometimes they all try to hold it  
21 together. And we say the same with our  
22 Police Department. They hold everything  
23 together. And oftentimes that stress gets  
24 to them in a worse way than they even  
25 realize it. Certainly Abraham and Beloved

1  
2 are four legged angels on earth for all  
3 of us.

4 So I thank you all, all the  
5 trainers. And I thank you so much for  
6 that beautiful heart. You made me cry. So  
7 thank you. And I, too, have a citation  
8 for all of you. I will come down there.  
9 We're not going to make you all come up  
10 here. This is beautiful. Thank you so  
11 much.

12 And we have a citation for from all  
13 of us, signed by all of us in the  
14 Legislature because like I said, you help  
15 each and every one of us in each one of  
16 our districts. Of course, Beloved and  
17 Abraham don't really care about a  
18 citation, so they have some toys to play  
19 with.

20 (Whereupon, Citation presented.)

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All  
3 right. So the next Point of Personal  
4 Privilege will be by Legislator Arnie  
5 Drucker.

6 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you very  
7 much, Presiding Officer.

8 Every year around this time, each of  
9 us up here are made aware of very  
10 exceptional students and recognizing them  
11 for their accomplishments. Today, I'm  
12 fortunate to have a few students from my  
13 district who deserve that special  
14 recognition. I'm privileged today to  
15 honor two distinctive young, exceptional  
16 students in our community, Sabrina Guo of  
17 Syosset High School and Kevin Zhu of  
18 Jericho High School. These two recent  
19 grads were both recipients of the coveted  
20 and prestigious National Presidential  
21 Scholars Award.

22 This award is provided annually to  
23 150 qualifying scholars around the  
24 country. Both Kevin and Sabrina exhibited  
25 not only remarkable academic success

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2 throughout their high school careers, but  
3 they excelled outside of school by being  
4 extremely active leaders in each of their  
5 communities. Sabrina, among a litany of  
6 many other accomplishments, has founded  
7 the advocacy and support group, Girl  
8 Pride International, which has quickly  
9 grown and helped many disenfranchised and  
10 less fortunate young women and girls,  
11 finding them educational opportunities,  
12 providing them clothes and meals, as well  
13 as resources to help them attain success  
14 as they grow.

15 Kevin was a two sport  
16 interscholastic athlete playing on the  
17 Jericho volleyball team and Co-captaining  
18 the tennis team while also being a  
19 semi-finalist in the National Student  
20 Poetry Competition and being a  
21 distinguished pianist.

22 Both of these young students earned  
23 significant scholarships. Sabrina winning  
24 the Coca-Cola Scholar Award, a \$20,000  
25 scholarship; and Kevin winning \$25,000 as

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2 a Regeneron Science Competition finalist.

3 I am honored to be able to  
4 congratulate these two exceptional youths  
5 from our district and present them with  
6 citations to recognize their outstanding  
7 accomplishments and wish them well in  
8 their future careers as Kevin continues  
9 school at Stanford University and Sabrina  
10 at Yale.

11 Sabrina and Kevin, I'd like to  
12 invite you to approach the podium and say  
13 a few words. Although, before we do so,  
14 my colleague, Josh Lafazan, would like to  
15 say a few words.

16 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Yes. Thank you,  
17 Legislator Drucker.

18 I have the privilege of knowing  
19 Sabrina for a while now, but before I  
20 talk about Sabrina, Kevin, the amount of  
21 talent you have in all these different  
22 realms, it's remarkable. Your future is  
23 limitless. Whatever you choose to  
24 dedicate your time to, you will succeed.  
25 Thank you for making our community proud.

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2           Congratulations to you first.

3           Thank you.

4           (Whereupon, applause.)

5           LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: So, Sabrina, I  
6           had the honor of meeting actually during  
7           the pandemic. And long story short,  
8           Sabrina reached out to my office and  
9           said, How can I help? This is back in  
10          2021 or 2020. And she said, How can I  
11          help? And I said, Well, we need aid to  
12          our first responders. We need aid to our  
13          hospitals. And Sabrina actually spent a  
14          good chunk of money she had saved for  
15          college on PPE for first responders. You  
16          kept healthcare workers in our community  
17          safe. You kept first responders safe. And  
18          you continued that advocacy to take on  
19          issues relating to female empowerment and  
20          relating to community and population  
21          health. And I was so proud to write that  
22          letter of recommendation for you. Thank  
23          you for being one of the very best among  
24          us. I look forward to voting for you for  
25          president one day.

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2 Thank you.

3 (Whereupon, applause.)

4 MS. GUO: Thank you so much, Josh. I  
5 will keep this very brief.

6 First, thank you to the Legislature  
7 for honoring us here today. We're very,  
8 very grateful to be able to represent  
9 Nassau County and put it on the national  
10 stage as the US Presidential Scholars for  
11 for New York.

12 Personally, I'd also like to thank  
13 all of you, especially the familiar faces  
14 up here, who have really been such an  
15 inspiration to me and my public service  
16 and nonprofit efforts, especially in the  
17 last half decade, and especially during  
18 the Pandemic. I would like to thank,  
19 specifically, a few people, although not  
20 limited. For example, Legislator Drucker,  
21 Legislator Lafazan, Legislator Mulé,  
22 Legislator Abrahams and Legislator Bynoe.  
23 Thank you so much for being such an  
24 inspiration and for collaborating with my  
25 COVID relief nonprofit, LILAC, in and

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2 many occasions and other community events  
3 to really raise the community morale and  
4 spirits, especially during these trying  
5 times. So thank you so much.

6 Kevin is also a good friend of mine.  
7 I'm very honored to stand alongside him  
8 here today to represent the New York  
9 State. So thank you so much.

10 MR. ZHU: Hi, everyone. I'm Kevin. I  
11 think Sabrina summed up quite nicely how  
12 much we are grateful for the opportunity  
13 to be here and to represent Nassau County  
14 on the national stage. Once again, thank  
15 you to all of you guys for this honor and  
16 being here today.

17 I've grown up on Long Island my  
18 entire life. And with your guys support  
19 and legislation, you guys have created an  
20 environment where we feel safe and lucky  
21 to have valuable education, make friends  
22 like Sabrina and just set us up really  
23 well for whatever the future holds. And  
24 so I'm really excited to see what the  
25 future holds for us, and I'm really

1  
2 looking forward to coming back 20 years  
3 from now and seeing what can be done.

4 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I just want to  
5 say that it's really cool that the both  
6 of you going to different schools are  
7 really good friends. That's really cool,  
8 number one.

9 And number two, I learned today that  
10 you're both leaving. I think Sabrina,  
11 you're leaving today. And Kevin, you're  
12 leaving tomorrow. Both of you are on to  
13 spend the summer in China. And we wish  
14 you a safe, healthy, happy trip and come  
15 back to us soon.

16 MS. GUO: Thank you so much.

17 MR. ZHU: Thank you.

18 (Whereupon, applause.)  
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2                   LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you  
3 again, Presiding Officer.

4                   Today is a lucky day for me because  
5 I get to do it again with this here  
6 today. I'd like to honor two young  
7 individuals and graduates from my  
8 hometown, Plainview-Old Bethpage grads  
9 Kimon and Constantine Vantes. These two  
10 exceptionally talented young men, both  
11 outstanding musicians, are exceptional  
12 cellists. They are also identical twins.  
13 And they chose to refine their musical  
14 talents with the Children's Orchestra  
15 Society. The Children's Orchestra  
16 Society, which operates locally in  
17 Syosset, has effectively fostered an  
18 environment of learning here on Long  
19 Island for the past 60 years.

20                  I would like to thank the director,  
21 Dr. Yeou-Cheng Ma, for her work with our  
22 community's children. Dr. Ma is also the  
23 sister of world renowned cellist Yo-Yo  
24 Ma, the Children's Orchestra. The  
25 Children's Orchestra Society has



1  
2 successfully brought out the talents of  
3 very, very gifted youth.

4 These two fine, talented young men  
5 achieved the pinnacle of musical success  
6 by recently performing at Lincoln Center.  
7 Kimon, you have shown incredible  
8 dedication to the arts, and I'd like to  
9 congratulate you personally for your solo  
10 performance, a solo performance at  
11 Lincoln Center. Both of you have shown  
12 yourselves to be star members of the  
13 community. You are both shining examples  
14 with hard work and dedication, you can  
15 accomplish truly great things. And I'd  
16 like to congratulate you both on your  
17 acceptance into Cornell. I know you both  
18 will excel in all of your endeavors, and  
19 I look forward to seeing you both grow as  
20 musicians and overall young men in the  
21 years to come.

22 It is my distinct honor to present  
23 you both with citations and recognition  
24 of your outstanding achievements. Please  
25 come up and say a few words if you'd

1  
2 like.

3 MR. C. VONTAS: I'll be brief. I'd  
4 just like to say that we're honored and  
5 privileged to be here to receive this  
6 recognition and just to thank everyone  
7 here, all the legislators, for just  
8 creating a community where we all, young  
9 students and young people, feel so safe  
10 to explore all their interests and  
11 receive such quality education. It's  
12 really been invaluable in all our time  
13 here. And just thank you so much.

14 MR. K. VONTAS: I'll also be brief.  
15 I just wanted to say thank you to  
16 Legislator Drucker and the entire  
17 Legislature for the honor of being here  
18 today. And as a Nassau County resident,  
19 it's really been important to have so  
20 much support in the music and the arts in  
21 our community and how clear it is that  
22 it's something that our community values  
23 as a whole. And I'm glad that that's  
24 something we've had growing up and that  
25 will have with us for the rest of our

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2 lives.

3 Thank you.

4 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you. My  
5 colleague, Josh Lafazan, would like to  
6 say a few words as well.

7 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: So who's your  
8 band teacher at Syosset?

9 MR. K. VONTAS: We actually go to a  
10 JFK.

11 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: I was last  
12 chair alto sax, so I wasn't very good.  
13 What I'll say is, having gone to Cornell,  
14 the musical community there is one of the  
15 best in the country. Please continue to  
16 keep in touch. We look forward to many,  
17 many years of success and your future is  
18 limitless. All right. Enjoy Ithaca. Stay  
19 warm there.

20 (Whereupon, applause.)

21 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I too, would  
22 just like to congratulate you both, and  
23 wish you the very, very best. I represent  
24 a very small part of Plainview-Old  
25 Bethpage, but it's still part of my

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2 district, so I want to make sure that I  
3 thank you so much. I know your parents  
4 and your grandma is here with you today  
5 and how proud they are. Not just us, but  
6 they are so extremely proud of you. And  
7 you know, when you become a grandma,  
8 you're somehow you're even extra proud of  
9 your grandchildren. So God bless you all.  
10 I wish you the very, very best in  
11 Cornell.

12 (Whereupon, applause.)  
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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Now  
3 for a Point of Personal Privilege by  
4 Legislator Mazi-Pilip.

5 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Thank you,  
6 Presiding Officer. I am also a lucky one  
7 today. I would like to welcome Brian Liu  
8 and his family to Nassau County  
9 Legislature meeting. Brian and mom, you  
10 can come to the podium and also your  
11 sister.

12 Brian, when I heard about your  
13 amazing accomplishment, I wanted to  
14 invite you and honor you. And I wanted to  
15 my colleagues to know how amazing you  
16 are.

17 It gives me great pleasure to honor  
18 and recognize the amazing accomplishment  
19 of Great Neck Middle School student Brian  
20 Liu on his significant achievement of  
21 advancing to Scripps National Spelling  
22 Bee at only 11 years old.

23 (Whereupon, applause.)

24 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Brian is a  
25 remarkable student, and in addition to

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2           excelling in spelling, he is already an  
3           accomplished violinist who has performed  
4           at Lincoln Center.

5           Brian prepared for the spelling bee  
6           competition by dedicating hours to  
7           studying every single night, in addition  
8           to his already demanding schoolwork.  
9           Brian qualified for the National Spelling  
10          Bee in March when he defeated 47 other  
11          student participants in Long Island  
12          Finals that went on for more than four  
13          hours. The winning word for him was  
14          "bolognese".

15          In the National Spelling Bee, the  
16          participants are not only asked how to  
17          spell any word in the dictionary, but  
18          also how to recite the definition of any  
19          word from the dictionary. Brian advanced  
20          through six different rounds at the  
21          National and was up against participants  
22          from all over the United States and the  
23          world.

24          I am so proud of you for putting  
25          yourself out there against other

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2 participants and staying calm and strong  
3 during competition. Brian,  
4 congratulations. We are so proud of you.  
5 And I know this is just the start for  
6 you.

7 You would like to say anything?

8 MR. LIU: I would like to thank all  
9 the legislators for having me here today.  
10 It was a great opportunity and honor to  
11 represent Long Island in the spelling  
12 bee. And I would like to give sincere  
13 thanks to all of those who have supported  
14 me and their kind words of encouragement.  
15 So thank you.

16 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Good job.

17 (Whereupon, applause.)  
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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So the  
3 next part of our meeting is for public  
4 comment. And our first speaker is  
5 Domenica Califano.

6 MS. CALIFANO: Good afternoon. How  
7 are you? I just want to bring something  
8 up that's a little disturbing on the  
9 Nassau County Police Department. Fourth  
10 Precinct Sergeant, he was a Sergeant  
11 Crawford (phonetic), Nassau County County  
12 Attorney's office has the videotape of  
13 him pulling out a gun on an eight year  
14 old child, a 13-year-old child, and  
15 trying to shoot a dog that was about 15  
16 years old. They have not acted on it.  
17 Attorney general's office has not did  
18 (sic) anything about it. It's been over a  
19 month. It's very disturbing.

20 All my charges were dismissed. And I  
21 just don't find an officer -- not even an  
22 officer, he was a sergeant -- being moved  
23 up to captain, moved out of the Fourth  
24 Precinct, and now in the Sixth -- he has  
25 five federal lawsuits against him and one



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2 state lawsuit. I have numerous people in  
3 his district now that are calling that he  
4 is bullying. He has turned off his camera  
5 and no one has called.

6 Commissioner Patrick Ryder is well  
7 aware of this. This is not fair to other  
8 officers in our county that are good  
9 officers. They have to look into what he  
10 is doing and Internal Affairs needs to be  
11 investigated. County Attorney's office  
12 has the videotape that he has lied to the  
13 general attorney that he never touched  
14 his gun that day. It's clearly where his  
15 gun came out of. It's a little  
16 disturbing.

17 Also, there was a very major  
18 accident in Oceanside this past week. The  
19 car went flying up in the air. From my  
20 understanding, some of your officers  
21 turned their cameras off. Name was never  
22 exposed. The two families are out of  
23 their home. There was marijuana found in  
24 their car. We know it's legal, but not  
25 when you're under the influence. All the

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2 cops turn their heads to this incident.  
3 It was very scary. This car was flying,  
4 doing over 80 miles an hour from people's  
5 ring cameras. Maybe someone hears this,  
6 maybe they will look into it.

7 We have a lot of officers that are  
8 amazing officers, but we got to get rid  
9 of the bad cops. It must be taken care of  
10 and hopefully everyone will look into  
11 this.

12 Thank you for your time.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

14 Corinne Kaufman.

15 MS. KAUFMAN: Good afternoon,  
16 Legislators, and thank you for giving me  
17 the opportunity to speak. Especially my  
18 legislator, Delia DeRiggi-Whitton.

19 Today is the third time I have had  
20 this privilege to speak with you. It is  
21 over seven months since the loss of our  
22 19-year-old granddaughter, Paige Grace  
23 Gibbons, age 19, due to fentanyl  
24 poisoning. I will not take time today to  
25 again review the sad journey in our

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2 lives, but more importantly, to address  
3 the importance of fentanyl detection  
4 strips and awareness.

5 We are at war with fentanyl. It  
6 lurks within our communities and is  
7 poisoning many people, but especially  
8 those that are 18 to 35 years of age.  
9 Basically, the future of all Americans.  
10 What do we do when we are at war? We  
11 develop ammunition. How have we  
12 progressed in this battle? First of all,  
13 we have educated and are continuing to  
14 educate on this plague. We legislate and  
15 then we provide provide defenses.

16 Since I started speaking publicly  
17 seven months ago, I see progress. First,  
18 our County Executive, Bruce Blakeman, has  
19 pledged \$60 million over a four year  
20 period to aid in this fight against  
21 fentanyl and other drugs.

22 Recently, Senator Gillibrand has  
23 recently put forth a bipartisan bill that  
24 is aimed at the fentanyl trail. She  
25 courageously names China-Mexico

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2 Connection, directing her goals against  
3 opioid traffickers and cartels.

4 Narcan training. Delia has been at  
5 the forefront of arranging for Narcan  
6 training. My experience has been as a  
7 speaker at these events, the public is  
8 anxious and hungering for this training.

9 Among my many goals, some have  
10 become realities, but I'm still working  
11 on setting up assemblies in schools, anti  
12 fentanyl signage and Narcan in all New  
13 York school nurses offices, and having  
14 fentanyl detection strips included.

15 I'm not educated really in the  
16 process of making fentanyl detection  
17 strips a reality as far as legislation  
18 proceeds. What I do know is that one more  
19 level of prevention that can save a life  
20 is so important. At a dollar per strip, I  
21 ask, why not?

22 In our own experience losing Paige,  
23 there was one child present who was not a  
24 participant in taking the synthetic  
25 Percocet that was 100% fentanyl. Think of

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2 the different outcome had that non  
3 participant known to say, wait a minute,  
4 let's test first. Let's see if this is  
5 safe.

6 I sometimes hear the argument that  
7 this will increase use of fentanyl  
8 unknowingly. I really think it will be an  
9 important safety measure. I remember when  
10 seatbelts were mandated in New York. The  
11 safety net of seatbelts did not cause  
12 people to speed more.

13 I urge you to pass this life saving  
14 mandate and to help win the war and save  
15 lives.

16 Thank you.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
18 you. Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Before  
20 you sit down. Again, I just have to state  
21 on the record how impressed I am with you  
22 and your husband and your entire family  
23 with how quickly you've been able to  
24 become advocates. Just within two months  
25 time, most people couldn't even say the

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2 words, but you were out there. And I  
3 believe already you have saved lives just  
4 from your awareness.

5 And I concur with you. I believe  
6 that we should at least have a hearing on  
7 the strips being included in our Narcan  
8 kits. We have an audience that comes to  
9 those trainings that really want to help  
10 and really want to learn. And there are  
11 many supporters that at first were a  
12 little bit concerned but have now turned  
13 and are in support, including Dr. Jeff  
14 Reynolds. So I can't see the harm in us  
15 holding a hearing regarding this piece of  
16 legislation.

17 What you're saying also, I have to  
18 say, had somehow someone thought or knew  
19 of the strips with Paige's situation, it  
20 definitely would have been detected  
21 because it was 100% fentanyl. The only  
22 time that they're concerned about not  
23 being detected is if it's somehow in the  
24 middle of the pill and doesn't come into  
25 contact with the strip. But the odds of

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2 that happening are so minuscule, in my  
3 opinion, compared to the benefit of  
4 saving even just one life.

5 Again, I am in awe of you and your  
6 family and your strength and your  
7 commitment to help others and give your  
8 beautiful granddaughter, Paige, who's  
9 four months younger than my daughter and  
10 looks a lot like my daughter. So I have a  
11 very hard time even thinking. But again,  
12 you're giving her a legacy such an  
13 important value. And we're all very proud  
14 to be part of it. So thank you. I have  
15 faith that we're going to have a hearing  
16 soon.

17 MS. KAUFMAN: I hope that I have  
18 encouraged you to consider this again.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I can't  
20 see the downside in having a hearing, so  
21 I request it. And I would love to have  
22 it. If anyone would be willing to help us  
23 get this on the calendar, I would be I  
24 would be personally grateful. So thank  
25 you.

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2 MS. KAUFMAN: Very good. Thank you  
3 very much.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Pearl  
5 Jacobs.

6 MS. JACOBS: Pearl Jacobs,  
7 Uniondale.

8 Legislator Bynoe, I'm referencing  
9 your recent article "Why I Voted for a  
10 Casino at the Coliseum", *Uniondale*  
11 *Herald*, June 8th. Why are you providing  
12 an explanation to your constituents post  
13 lease transfer vote? You stated as  
14 follows: "To get the pulse of the  
15 community you met with the Library, the  
16 Fire Department, the Nassau County Land  
17 Bank and other key stakeholders".

18 I consider every taxpaying resident  
19 a stakeholder. Why didn't you arrange a  
20 community meeting at large to hear the  
21 voices of the taxpayers? The Library, the  
22 Fire Department, the Land bank does not  
23 speak for the taxpayers. Why were only a  
24 few chosen community leaders invited to  
25 these meetings? Why weren't the taxpaying



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2 residents given the respect to have their  
3 voices heard? There was no transparency  
4 in this process. Meetings and discussions  
5 were held in secret as the proposed host  
6 community wouldn't it have been  
7 respectful of our elected representatives  
8 to cross over Hempstead Turnpike and hold  
9 an open meeting at the library or the  
10 firehouse to speak with the residents  
11 regarding the proposed casino project?  
12 Again, another disparaging blow to the  
13 residents of a minority community in  
14 Nassau County.

15 It is my opinion that the underlying  
16 message to Uniondale residents is, hey,  
17 "Sands-a-Claus" has come to town and now  
18 Uniondale can have investment. It is  
19 disappointing that you, as a tenured  
20 Nassau County Legislator, view this  
21 proposed casino project as the only  
22 viable option for economic investment in  
23 Uniondale.

24 For the past 15 years, I have  
25 advocated for investment in Uniondale.

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2 Now that Uniondale will be the host  
3 community for the proposed casino  
4 project, we can now receive investment.  
5 Not from our County Or Town but from the  
6 Sands.

7 Every investment that came to  
8 Uniondale had to be hard fought for. The  
9 Uniondale Streetscaping project took ten  
10 plus years of strong advocacy before it  
11 came to fruition. In order to get  
12 Jerusalem Avenue repaved, The Nostrand  
13 Gardens Civic Association had to launch  
14 the Nassau County Segregated Roadways  
15 Campaign. And you know what? We still  
16 cannot get our streets swept. But don't  
17 worry, Uniondale, "Sands-a-Claus" will  
18 make everything right for Uniondale.

19 The question is, why hasn't  
20 Uniondale received its fair share of  
21 investment? Uniondale homeowners, just  
22 like every other homeowner in Nassau  
23 County paid the third highest taxes in  
24 the country. Yet, Uniondale receives no  
25 investment. Why is that? It is no secret

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2 that Uniondale is a donor community where  
3 Uniondale's tax revenue is diverted to  
4 other zip codes in Nassau County and  
5 Uniondale is left to languish. But don't  
6 worry, Uniondale "Sands-a-Claus" will  
7 make everything right for Uniondale  
8 because Uniondale will be the host  
9 community and we are supposed to feel  
10 special that Uniondale will be the host  
11 community of this proposed casino  
12 project. The host community will be the  
13 host to a blood sucking parasite.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
15 Legislator Bynoe.

16 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Ms. Jacobs, I  
17 don't want to make this a back and forth  
18 session at all. What I want to do on the  
19 record is expand the number of groups  
20 that I did meet with. I met with the  
21 Greater --

22 MS. JACOBS: Uniondale Area Action  
23 Coalition.

24 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Yes, ma'am. I met  
25 with other civic groups. I met with the

1  
2 NAACPs. Everybody who invited me, I  
3 came. Moreover, I sat in my office many a  
4 day and anybody who called who wanted to  
5 speak to me directly in regarding the  
6 casino, I took the call. In fact, you  
7 happen to call one day when I was in the  
8 office and I took your call --

9 MS. JACOBS: And we spoke. But that  
10 was well after --

11 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: No, it was before  
12 the 22nd vote we spoke.

13 MS. JACOBS: It was before the 22nd  
14 vote. You're absolutely right about that.  
15 But it was well after the casino project  
16 was made aware in Uniondale.

17 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay.

18 So I just want to be clear on the  
19 record. And as I stated on the record on  
20 the 22nd and as I stated in that article,  
21 this wasn't a decision that I just made  
22 without taking a lot of issues into  
23 consideration. And while we will disagree  
24 with this on this issue, I hope that in  
25 service to Nassau County in the future,

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2 we might be able to agree on certain  
3 things and move those things forward.

4 And again, I stand at the ready to  
5 hear from you on any of those issues. I'm  
6 available, as you can see via phone. And  
7 I've met with you before prior to this,  
8 and I will continue to meet with you and  
9 hear from you. So I just wanted to share  
10 that with you on the record.

11 Thank you and have a good day.

12 MS. JACOBS: And thank you very  
13 much. And it's not going to be a back and  
14 forth, but I do want to make a statement  
15 on public record that County Executive  
16 Blakeman was invited to Uniondale. He  
17 never responded. He never showed up.

18 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I can't speak for  
19 County Executive Blakeman.

20 MS. JACOBS: And then also, my  
21 question to you, which I had in here in  
22 my statement, was why wasn't a community  
23 at large meeting held for the residents  
24 of Uniondale, the taxpaying residents of  
25 Uniondale?

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2           LEGISLATOR BYNOE:   So we can have  
3           that conversation. But quite frankly, Ms.  
4           Jacobs, I have to tell you, we were at a  
5           disadvantage to an extent that we were  
6           getting information almost up to the last  
7           minute in the lease. I was not the  
8           resident expert to come into the  
9           community and have that discussion at the  
10          time to which you would have probably  
11          liked it. But again, I stand at the ready  
12          to continue the conversation. I stand  
13          ready to hear from you and whatever  
14          method of communication you feel most  
15          comfortable interfacing with me.

16                 And again, thank you and have a good  
17                 day.

18                 MS. JACOBS:   Also, before I leave, I  
19                 did --

20                 LEGISLATOR BYNOE:   So we're doing  
21                 back and forth and I don't want to do  
22                 that.

23                 MS. JACOBS:   No, no, no. Not about  
24                 the casino. It's not about that. I did  
25                 mention that we can't get our streets

1  
2 swept and we really can't get Uniondale  
3 Avenue swept. Maybe you can help us out  
4 with that.

5 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: That would be the  
6 Town. So I will call the Town.

7 MS. JACOBS: Well, it's Uniondale  
8 Avenue, which is the County road.

9 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So I don't  
10 represent you directly in this moment. I  
11 represent the area that is the Hub. So  
12 according to Legislative Abrahams, it's a  
13 County -- let me finish. It's a County  
14 road and we're going to process a request  
15 for the street to be swept.

16 MS. JACOBS: I would appreciate that  
17 greatly. Thank you very much.

18 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Thank you. Have a  
19 good day.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Chris  
21 Jacobs.

22 MR. JACOBS: Hello. Good afternoon.  
23 Chris Jacobson, Uniondale, New York.

24 My question is for Legislator Bynoe  
25 or Legislator Abrahams, whatever one

1  
2 represents Uniondale right now, because  
3 I'm confused on that.

4 But I'm here in regards to the  
5 Martin Luther King Peace Park that's  
6 located at the corner of Nassau Road and  
7 Uniondale Avenue. Back in May, I think it  
8 got hit or something like that. There was  
9 a car crash or something, and for the  
10 past month and a half, it's remained in  
11 disrepair. The fence is still missing. I  
12 go the Southern State every day to  
13 commute. Legislator Abrahams, you know  
14 about it, because back in 2021, they had  
15 the renaming for the Cantanese's there.  
16 Whichever one -- I know, Legislator Bynoe  
17 just said to my mom that she doesn't  
18 represent Uniondale, but I was told that  
19 they voted for the redistricting maps.  
20 That's when they took into effect. So I'm  
21 thinking that she is the representative.  
22 But whoever it is.

23 Basically, just want to say that  
24 hopefully Nassau County can get to fixing  
25 the park as soon as possible because the



1  
2 park representing Martin Luther King  
3 should not be left in disrepair. And it's  
4 an eyesore and it's not reflective of who  
5 Martin Luther King was.

6 Thank you.

7 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes. How are  
8 you, Chris?

9 MR. JACOBS: Hi, how are you?

10 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I hear a lot  
11 of back and forth, which I'm not sure if  
12 it's done with mal intent or maybe it's  
13 just, you know, inquisitive thinking.  
14 Legislative Bynoe has always been a  
15 Legislator for Uniondale.

16 MR. JACOBS: No, I'm not talking  
17 about that.

18 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But when you  
19 said in your comments, maybe I  
20 misinterpreted, "I don't know who's the  
21 Legislator for Uniondale, y'all have to  
22 figure that out", something to that  
23 degree.

24 MR. JACOBS: Yes.

25 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: It gives the

1  
2 impression that she hasn't been the  
3 Legislator for Uniondale. But she has  
4 been.

5 MR. JACOBS: You were the legislator  
6 for that area until they signed the  
7 redistricting.

8 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm the  
9 legislator for Uniondale, but I share it  
10 with Legislator Bynoe. That has not  
11 changed in 10-20 years.

12 MR. JACOBS: No, no, no. Okay.

13 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm just  
14 saying, Chris, when phrases are made, "I  
15 don't know who represents Uniondale"; we  
16 both do. We always have.

17 MR. JACOBS: The redistricting map  
18 has you in a whole different area. Are  
19 you now or not?

20 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: No, no. Maybe  
21 you're a little confused on what I'm  
22 saying to you. As of today, Legislator  
23 Bynoe and I both represent Uniondale.

24 MR. JACOBS: The northern half or  
25 the southern half?

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LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Sir.

MR. JACOBS: Go ahead.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Nostrand Gardens, if I understand it, represents all Uniondale. I didn't know it was segmented into certain parts. So Legislator Bynoe and I, we both represent Uniondale as of today. The redistricting map that you're referring to goes into effect in January.

MR. JACOBS: Oh, because I thought it took effect the night that Blakeman signed it.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: No, it did not.

MR. JACOBS: So you're our representative now?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Again, I'm going to try for the third time. I like you, so I'm going to try again.

MR. JACOBS: I like you, too.

MR. JACOBS: We both represent Uniondale. As of today, this moment, at 2:35 p.m., we both represent Uniondale.

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2 MR. JACOBS: Okay. So I ask you  
3 too. Which one of you, or maybe you  
4 could put it together to fix the park? I  
5 just need that park fixed. It's an  
6 eyesore. The fence is missing.

7 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You can work  
8 with my office. We are aware of it  
9 already, but obviously give us a call and  
10 we can definitely work with your office  
11 to ensure that the fence --

12 MR. JACOBS: I just want it fixed. I  
13 don't understand. I mean, I'm getting  
14 along with you very nicely and I'm not  
15 trying to have the same relationship that  
16 my mom had with you. I'm speaking very  
17 matter of factly. It has a missing fence.  
18 It's always desecrated all the time. And  
19 once in a blue moon, the Nassau County  
20 come and clean it up and things like  
21 that. It's just that when I go to the  
22 Southern State every day to do my  
23 commute, I see the fence missing and I'm  
24 like, that's not very indicative. And  
25 people always ask me, they say, why does

1  
2 your park look like that? So I'm just  
3 speaking on behalf of the citizens. So I  
4 hope you and Legislator Bynoe will work  
5 together or whatever one represents  
6 Uniondale. I know both of you do now.  
7 Some say the map it's in effect, some say  
8 it's not. I was told it took effect.  
9 That's why they have all these different  
10 elections.

11 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I understand.

12 MR. JACOBS: Just, can you fix the  
13 park for me?

14 Thank you so much and have a great  
15 day.

16 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You, too, as  
17 well. Thank you.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Susan  
19 Hansen.

20 MS. HANSEN: Are the missing  
21 legislators coming back?

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: They  
23 will at some point. But you can go ahead  
24 with the remarks, please.

25 MS. HANSEN: Well, I'd like to have

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2 as many here as possible before I begin.

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Your  
4 time is going to start running, so I  
5 would suggest you start now.

6 MS. HANSEN: I don't even think you  
7 have a quorum.

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Ma'am,  
9 your time is running. I would ask you to  
10 make your remarks, please.

11 MS. HANSEN: Well, I would ask my  
12 time to begin from the beginning.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It's  
14 running, so start.

15 MS. HANSEN: Can you please reset  
16 the clock?

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: No.  
18 I'll tell you what, I'll give you a  
19 little extra time at the end.

20 MS. HANSEN: But it's only going to  
21 take three minutes. I've timed myself,  
22 but I do want to make a point to say  
23 everything that I have on my paper.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Ma'am,  
25 would you go ahead and speak and then

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2 we'll --

3 MS. HANSEN: Okay. Thank you. I am  
4 here to bring to your attention an issue  
5 which directly impacts Nassau and all  
6 counties in the state of New York and,  
7 quite frankly, the country. A group known  
8 as New York Citizens Audit has obtained  
9 voter registration and election data from  
10 the New York State Board of Elections via  
11 the Freedom of Information Act. They have  
12 done extensive analysis on this data and  
13 and have uncovered what appears to be  
14 very significant and troubling anomalies.  
15 Your counterparts in Suffolk County, as  
16 well as other New York state, county and  
17 town government officials, have been  
18 notified. The response has been mixed,  
19 but as of today, no meaningful measures  
20 have been taken to address concerns.

21 The following statements are my own  
22 and are based on my understanding on what  
23 has been uncovered. There is one basic,  
24 glaring, fundamental and irrefutable  
25 problem that would render New York State

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2 elections uncertifiable. The law requires  
3 that one. Let me repeat. One state voter  
4 registration record be maintained for a  
5 legally registered voter. The reality is  
6 that multiple records can and do exist  
7 for many voters. This is a violation of  
8 election law.

9 It should be noted that a status  
10 associated with these records can be  
11 active, inactive or purged. That may  
12 appear to be a technicality to some and  
13 not necessarily a violation of the law.  
14 But let me assure you, maintaining  
15 multiple records with different statuses  
16 is not the same as maintaining one record  
17 that is legitimate, particularly when  
18 multiple records for the same registered  
19 voter can contain voting history that may  
20 or may not match; particularly when you  
21 cannot verify that only one record was  
22 used to count a legitimate vote;  
23 particularly when you cannot examine the  
24 source code of how the votes were totaled  
25 because the code is considered



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2 proprietary; particularly when voting  
3 machines software can be updated just  
4 prior to elections that may or may not  
5 contain logic changes; particularly when  
6 the New York State Board of Elections  
7 co-executive director Kristen Zebrowski  
8 Stavisky has notified all County board  
9 commissioners and directors and, without  
10 naming names, directly claimed that the  
11 New York citizens audit information is  
12 baseless and a distortion of the truth.

13 Without contacting the group  
14 directly, I would urge all New York  
15 residents and this legislative board in  
16 particular having oversight of the County  
17 Board of Elections to go to the website,  
18 auditny.com and evaluate the findings  
19 yourself. And please contact the founder,  
20 Marly Hornick, for further details.

21 Thank you.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All  
23 right. Thank you. Meta J. Mereday.

24 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Presiding  
25 Officer, just as Ms. Mereday approaches,

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2 I just want to make sure and remind the  
3 public that though you may see members of  
4 the legislature vacant from their seats,  
5 sometimes they get called away to speak  
6 to our legal staffs, our financial  
7 staffs, there are there speakers in the  
8 back caucus rooms where they can hear  
9 every single word that is being said on  
10 the floor. So they are not missing your  
11 comments just because they're not  
12 physically present in their seat. It's  
13 possible something that's coming up on  
14 the Legislative Calendar -- which many  
15 times I get pulled away that's something  
16 that's coming up on the Calendar where  
17 someone needs to speak to me before that  
18 item is voted on. So I just want to  
19 remind the public that there are speakers  
20 in both caucus rooms where your comments,  
21 as well as any comments that are being  
22 made, are basically publicized there as  
23 well, or are they heard there as well.

24 Thank you.

25 MS. MEREDAY: Good afternoon. What

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2 brings me here on a regular basis because  
3 the crowds are not here? I guess the  
4 Sands Investment Fund kind of like ran  
5 out or they got what they needed from the  
6 people, half of which did not live in  
7 Nassau County, but purported to support  
8 what was going on here. Very  
9 disconcerting.

10 But I do want to, as someone said to  
11 me before, start out with, you know, the  
12 good stuff first. I want to recognize  
13 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton. I  
14 appreciated the fact that you stood  
15 strong with your conviction and your  
16 opposition of the casino, which is going  
17 to be disastrous to this county and the  
18 residents. I appreciate that. I would  
19 have been very interested --  
20 unfortunately, the Minority Leader had to  
21 recuse himself -- to hear his discussion  
22 points with regard to the casino. Don't  
23 really know how he felt about it overall,  
24 but I appreciated what his stance was  
25 when it came down to the segregated maps

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2 that we now have to suffer under. And as  
3 Chris Jacobs said earlier, unfortunately,  
4 there are residents who are confused  
5 about, well, many of them are confused  
6 about who represents them now and who  
7 will represent them in the future. But I  
8 do appreciate what you did try to do,  
9 because, unfortunately, it ended up with  
10 your own district being realigned and  
11 probably not to your advantage.

12 My concerns continue today when we  
13 talked about an eight-year-old girl who  
14 was walking down Stewart Avenue with a  
15 butcher knife. As I'm dealing on a daily  
16 basis with the now 44 plus veterans who  
17 are killing themselves, I find it  
18 interesting that we hear about \$60  
19 Million that are going towards fentanyl,  
20 but I can't get the County to invest any  
21 type of resources possibly to upgrade the  
22 services for our veterans and our  
23 residents. Many of our veterans are  
24 falling victim to fentanyl and other  
25 drugs, including alcohol, but

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2 unfortunately we don't seem to really  
3 care that much about that. But then we  
4 have a County Executive who's going to  
5 use COVID money, I guess, in an attempt  
6 to keep it from being clawed back by the  
7 Federal Government, who fortunately came  
8 to their senses with all a hot mess  
9 that's going on in Washington, to have a  
10 debt ceiling bill, to now claw back those  
11 resources that many of us were promised  
12 before this Body, as well as our  
13 townships that were being used for our  
14 residents, many of whom now who are  
15 facing evictions because the moratoriums  
16 have been lifted. These evictions are  
17 also including our veterans.

18 But our County Executive wants to  
19 advertise about Long Island in the red  
20 states. Okay, that seems interesting to  
21 me since the blue states have the  
22 majority of the funding and the gross  
23 domestic product. So we're now  
24 restricting how we're doing the outreach,  
25 but we can't provide the resources to our

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2 residents.

3 And you said and I'm in closing,  
4 Presiding Officer, that if I wanted to  
5 make some changes done, maybe I should  
6 run for election, and maybe I might just  
7 do that as a write in candidate because  
8 it won't matter. I won't get elected  
9 because there's too much partisanship  
10 going on here. Not to mention I don't  
11 have the cloud of connections for all the  
12 donors and now the Sands money that's  
13 being invested. But I think if there is  
14 the opportunity to have a blank space and  
15 if residents want to put my name in  
16 there, what the heck? Why not? We have  
17 nothing to lose. If an eight year old can  
18 walk along the streets and we still could  
19 care less about what's happening with  
20 them as well as our veterans, somebody  
21 might just have to step up, speak up and  
22 represent the true interests of all of  
23 our residents, not whether they're red or  
24 blue, because right now we're being  
25 squeezed at the throat with the green.

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2 Thank you.

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
4 speaker is David Stern. I don't know if  
5 you want to wait until the College Budget  
6 is called. It'll just be about ten  
7 minutes or so. When we do the College  
8 Budget, we'll have the presentation. Then  
9 it'll be open to the public and I'll  
10 bring you up then. Okay, David?

11 (Whereupon, Mr. Stern  
12 indicates he would like to  
13 comment now.)

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: You  
15 want to do it now, that's fine.

16 MR. STERN: Okay. First the NCC  
17 Faculty would also like to thank the  
18 legislators and their staff for the  
19 service that you provide to our county.

20 My name is Dave Stern. I'm a  
21 professor teaching physical sciences at  
22 Nassau Community College. I'm also the  
23 Classroom Vice President of the NCC  
24 Federation of Teachers, the union  
25 representing the full time faculty.

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2 While we generally support the  
3 Legislature's approval of the NCC budget,  
4 we ask that you table proposed ordinance  
5 34-2023 until the college addresses the  
6 Office of Legislative Budget Review's  
7 three year running request and provide a  
8 plan to provide enrollment improvement.  
9 In absence of a plan from the College  
10 Administration, the NCC has proposed an  
11 enrollment enhancement investment plan,  
12 which we already provided to the  
13 legislators. I brought copies here just  
14 to make sure you have them (handing).

15 Our plan asks for the County to use  
16 less than 2% of the over \$300 million  
17 unspent federal COVID DARPA funds to hire  
18 66 new faculty in high demand areas such  
19 as nursing, healthcare technologies,  
20 animation, cyber security, engineering,  
21 technology. The plan would start 48 new  
22 initiatives. We estimate that the  
23 investment will significantly increase  
24 student enrollment and, thus, be  
25 self-sustaining for future budgets. We



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2 desperately need the full time faculty  
3 that provide the innovation and energy  
4 for the core mission of the College, and  
5 this will assist the County to attract,  
6 retain, grow the countywide population.

7 The budget before you actually  
8 reduces the faculty by 4.8% and increases  
9 our unassessed administration by 8%. This  
10 decade long trend of replacing faculty  
11 with administrators has hurt the College  
12 and our students. We know that from  
13 enrollment.

14 We also ask that you recommend that  
15 the College replace the over 40 faculty  
16 that are retiring this summer in large  
17 part because of the cruel imposition of  
18 the paycheck cut. New hires will cost  
19 about half of what the retired faculty  
20 cost. Many of these replacements are  
21 needed just to continue our programs in  
22 nursing, allied health, engineering,  
23 whose programs as well as their  
24 accreditation, are now in jeopardy  
25 because of lack of faculty.

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2 In addition to the request from  
3 OLBR, the College's accreditor, the  
4 Middle States Commission on Higher Ed  
5 requires that the College's budget be  
6 based on strategic planning. At this  
7 time, the budget as presented is not  
8 based on a strategic plan. This puts our  
9 accreditation in jeopardy. This marks the  
10 second year that the NCCFT has come  
11 before the Legislature and has asked for  
12 your help to keep NCC viable.

13 We know that each one of you have  
14 expressed your support for NCC and we  
15 greatly appreciate that. But we need your  
16 action today. Please table this item  
17 until enrollment management plan is  
18 provided by the college. We also ask that  
19 you specifically request that the  
20 administration work collaboratively with  
21 the NCCFT to finalize such a plan. We're  
22 willing to do it.

23 We trust that you share our belief  
24 that a great county deserves a great  
25 community college. And we put our faith

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2 in your desire to make NCC a success.

3 Thank you.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
5 you, Dave. Marie Reimers.

6 MS. REIMERS: Good afternoon,  
7 everybody.

8 Miss Delia, I want to thank you from  
9 the bottom of my heart for your vote last  
10 time. To me. You truly represent your  
11 constituent and I can tell you were not  
12 bought by the money. You were not. And  
13 for that you will go much, much, much  
14 further later on because eventually  
15 people will judge all of them. Thank you  
16 so much. I did appreciate it. I meant to  
17 call your office, but I was kind of busy.  
18 I do apologize for that. Thanks again.

19 Ms. Bynoe, I am still waiting for  
20 your phone call. I call your office, I  
21 spoke with your assistant. He reached out  
22 back to me. He sent me the editorial you  
23 did for Sands. And that's where we were.  
24 And I gave him the time that I will be  
25 available. And I'm still waiting for your

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2 call.

3 Well, since I'm here, you said you  
4 weighted what happened before you voted.  
5 I don't buy it because you could do it  
6 like she did. That's one.

7 Number two, one week you put an  
8 editorial to say why you voted for Sands.  
9 The next week you have another one  
10 talking about you guys want to give NYU  
11 Langone a hospital at Nassau Community  
12 College.

13 Now, how big is Uniondale? How big  
14 is Uniondale for you guys to want to put  
15 everything there? How is it going to  
16 work? How are you going to put a hospital  
17 there? We got Nassau Hospital that  
18 already have problem. You guys are not  
19 putting no fund there to help the  
20 hospital that's helping the poor. And now  
21 you guys going to hospital here, Casino  
22 here in Uniondale. What's going on?  
23 What's going on?

24 When people come here, you feel at a  
25 loss because you just speaking and people

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2 are looking at you like you come from a  
3 twilight zone. And later on, none of you  
4 go to call people back and talk to them.  
5 You said you spoke with some groups in  
6 Uniondale about the casino, however, when  
7 there is election, you guys send the card  
8 to every household. So when Sands came,  
9 why didn't you guys do that? Because you  
10 do know there were things that was doing  
11 under the table. That's what it was.

12 Next, Sands now coming like is a  
13 savior for Uniondale. However, now  
14 they're talking about tax break. I want  
15 any one of you whenever you can to let me  
16 know how the tax break is going to work  
17 for Sands. Because if they're going to  
18 get tax break, then the money that  
19 they're giving us is going from right to  
20 left and nothing will be left. If they  
21 come as a savior, a savior, don't look  
22 for payback. It doesn't go like this. So  
23 if any one of them will have the decency  
24 to let me know, how is it that after you  
25 give, send the list? That's when they're

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2 talking about tax break, Then I will  
3 appreciate it. I will appreciate it. I  
4 want to know where the tax break is going  
5 to come from. Where is it going to come  
6 from? I thought they come to save us.  
7 What's going on?

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
9 Legislator Bynoe.

10 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Hi. Good day,  
11 ma'am.

12 MS. REIMERS: Good day.

13 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Good day. So,  
14 yes, we did call you back. And you gave  
15 us an opportunity to call you back the  
16 next day at 1 p.m.. Unfortunately, I was  
17 unavailable at 1 p.m., so we offered  
18 instead of speaking with me directly that  
19 we would send you the editorial, which  
20 hadn't even been printed at that point.

21 But to the question regarding taxes,  
22 the County currently owns the land, so  
23 that is a tax exempt property. So the  
24 only way for any entity to come there to  
25 pay taxes, it would have to be in the

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2 form of a PILOT because we're not selling  
3 the land. We're entering to long term  
4 leases and the long term lease would  
5 would allow for entities to build For  
6 Profit entities who must pay some form of  
7 a tax. So it will have to go through the  
8 Nassau County Industrial Development  
9 Agency, the IDA, for the purpose of  
10 establishing what that tax payment will  
11 be.

12 So to that end, I hope that answers  
13 the question sufficiently for you. And  
14 for clarity, and I know the Minority  
15 Leader went through the exercise, I  
16 represent north of the of Hempstead  
17 Turnpike, not south. When the  
18 redistricting occurs or when we run on  
19 these maps and are duly elected, then we  
20 have an opportunity for me to then go  
21 south of Hempstead Turnpike. To this  
22 point, I only represent north of this of  
23 the area. So I just want to be clear that  
24 I accepted invitations from both north  
25 and south of Hempstead Turnpike for the

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2 purpose of discussing the matter. And I  
3 spoke directly with many constituents and  
4 I attempted to reach you. I could not  
5 reach you at 1 p.m. and instead we sent  
6 you that document and stated if it wasn't  
7 sufficient that you should call us back.

8 But I do appreciate you coming and  
9 asking the questions and directing. You  
10 directed it to me, so I answered it.  
11 Regarding the taxes. The only way that  
12 any benefit that would be realized from a  
13 For Profit entity coming to that plot of  
14 land in Nassau Coliseum, it would have to  
15 be by way of a PILOT. And I know we don't  
16 like the term PILOT. It's an unpopular  
17 term, but, in this case, it would benefit  
18 the the communities directly impacted by  
19 any development there to have a PILOT  
20 because right now it's tax exempt. It  
21 pays no tax.

22 Thank you, ma'am.

23 MS. REIMERS: Let me clarify. When I  
24 spoke with your assistant, he told me  
25 that he was going to send me the



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2 editorial and what time I will be  
3 available to speak with you. I told him 1  
4 to 2. That's the time that I went to  
5 lunch. That's the last time I heard from  
6 him.

7 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: And what I'm  
8 going to do, in the interest of moving  
9 forward, there appears to be a  
10 misunderstanding. For that, I apologize.

11 MS. REIMERS: No problem.

12 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. Thank you.

13 MS. REIMERS: Okay. Tell him to  
14 schedule the time for me. I still need to  
15 speak with you because here I'm limited  
16 to three minutes.

17 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: If you want to  
18 speak to me specifically regarding my  
19 vote for the for the Coliseum, I will  
20 take the call. But if you're calling in  
21 reference to any other county-related  
22 matter, you need to address it with the  
23 legislator who currently represents you,  
24 and that is Legislator Kevin Abraham.

25 MS. REIMERS: No, it's about the

vote. It's about the vote. You could  
have done the same with Miss Delia did.

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. Thank you.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All  
3 right. That concludes the public comment  
4 portion of the meeting. I'm going to put  
5 the legislature in recess. We're going to  
6 call the Rules Committee now.

7 (Whereupon, Full Legislature  
8 recess, 2:57-3:03 p.m.)

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We  
10 are reconvening the Full Legislature.

11 First, we need a motion to suspend  
12 the Rules. The reason for the suspension  
13 of the rules is the appointment of Mr.  
14 Troiano was filed less than 17 days prior  
15 to the meeting of the Full Legislature.

16 Motion by Deputy Presiding Officer  
17 Kopel, seconded by Legislator Schaefer.  
18 Any debate or discussion on suspending  
19 the Rules?

20 (Whereupon, no verbal  
21 response.)

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
23 Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
24 saying, "Aye".

25 (Whereupon, all members of

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favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Carries unanimously.

I'm going to call Calendar number  
42, Resolution number 146. This is a  
resolution to appoint Marco Troiano to  
the Board of Directors of the Nassau  
County Local Economic Assistance and  
Financing Corporation.

Motion by Deputy Presiding Officer  
Kopel, seconded by Legislator Schaefer.

Any debate or discussion?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Full Legislature respond in

favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Carries unanimously.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We're  
3 going to do the Consent Calendar now and  
4 then to the Community College Budget.

5 Consent Calendar are items that went  
6 through Committees a couple of weeks ago.  
7 It's been agreed by the Majority and  
8 Minority that these items require no  
9 further debate or discussion at this  
10 time.

11 Item 5, Ordinance 35; Item 6,  
12 Ordinance 36; Item 7, Ordinance 37; Item  
13 8, Ordinance 38; Item 9, Ordinance 39;  
14 Item 10, Ordinance 40; Item 11, Ordinance  
15 41; Item 12, Ordinance 42; Item 13,  
16 Ordinance 43; Item 14, Resolution 118;  
17 Item 15, Resolution 119; Item 16,  
18 Resolution 120; Item 17, Resolution 121;  
19 Item 18, Resolution 122; Item 20,  
20 Resolution 124; Item 21, Resolution 125;  
21 Item 22 Resolution 126; Item 23,  
22 Resolution 127; Item 24, Resolution 128;  
23 Item 25, Resolution 129; Item 27,  
24 Resolution 131; Item 28, Resolution 132;  
25 Item 30, Resolution 134, Item 31,

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2 Resolution 135; Item 32, Resolution 136;  
3 Item 33, Resolution 137; Item 34,  
4 Resolution 138; Item 35, Resolution 139,  
5 Item 36, Resolution 140; Item 37,  
6 Resolution 141; Item 38, Resolution 142;  
7 Item 39, Resolution 143; Item 41,  
8 Resolution 145; Item 42, Resolution 146.

9 Motion by Minority Leader Abrahams,  
10 seconded by Deputy Presiding Officer  
11 Kopel.

12 Any debate or discussion?

13 LEGISLATOR MULE: Presiding Officer,  
14 I have a question.

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.

16 LEGISLATOR MULE: Sorry. You said  
17 the last Item was 42. Didn't we already  
18 vote on that?

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: You're  
20 right. Correct. That was Mr. Troiano.

21 LEGISLATOR MULE: So what about 40?

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: 40 is  
23 not being called at this time.

24 LEGISLATOR MULE: Thank you.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.

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2 Okay. Thanks for pointing it out. I did  
3 not call 29 as there is a legislator who  
4 has to recuse himself. So 42 is not  
5 being called this time.

6 Any further debate or discussion?

7 (Whereupon, no verbal  
8 response.)

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
10 Hearing none. All in favor. Signify by  
11 saying, "Aye".

12 (Whereupon, all member of  
13 the Full Legislature respond in  
14 favor with, "Aye".)

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
16 opposed?

17 (Whereupon, no verbal  
18 response.)

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
20 Carries unanimously.

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2                   PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:   Number  
3                   2 is a hearing on proposed ordinance  
4                   number 34, an ordinance to adopt the  
5                   Nassau County budget for Nassau Community  
6                   College for the fiscal year commencing  
7                   September 1, 2023, and ending August 31,  
8                   2024, and to appropriate revenues and the  
9                   total amount of moneys to be raised by  
10                  taxation within the County of Nassau for  
11                  the purposes of Nassau Community College  
12                  for such fiscal year.

13                 Motion by legislator Drucker,  
14                 seconded by Legislator Ferretti to open  
15                 the hearing. All in favor of opening the  
16                 hearing signify by saying, "Aye".

17                 (Whereupon, all members of  
18                 the Full Legislature respond in  
19                 favor with, "Aye".)

20                 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:   The  
21                 hearing is open. I would invite up  
22                 President of the College for a  
23                 presentation.

24                 DR. CONZATTI:   Good afternoon. Dr.  
25                 Maria Conzatti, acting president of

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2 Nassau Community College.

3 Thank you all for the privilege of  
4 standing before you today to present the  
5 College's budget as presented. The  
6 College's budget does not require any  
7 additional tax increase and does not  
8 raise tuition for any of our students. As  
9 you can see by today's presentation of  
10 many talented students here in the  
11 county, we are very privileged to have a  
12 number of very bright students. The  
13 College stands as an opportunity for all.

14 Last May, I was privileged to take  
15 office as the interim president and, as  
16 such, we followed three guiding  
17 principles throughout the year and that  
18 served in the development of the current  
19 budget: Student centered education,  
20 fiscal health and living community, since  
21 we are the local community college.

22 The College has been busy with  
23 several priorities, mainly two top  
24 priorities. One, our Middle States  
25 accreditation. Some years ago, the

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2 College did have a few issues with the  
3 accreditation. It is eight years later.  
4 We are due for an accreditation visit in  
5 Spring of 2025, and as such, the College  
6 is required to submit a plan for its  
7 accreditation visit. It is a peer driven  
8 visit for Middle States.

9 I'm happy to tell the Legislature  
10 that we have had a visit by the vice  
11 president for Middle States, our liaison  
12 from that Commission. We submitted a  
13 self-study design for that report and  
14 everything that will be included in it.  
15 It has been accepted. They have met with  
16 our Board and expect the College to do  
17 well in its accreditation visit that is  
18 scheduled for Spring of 25.

19 We have also been very busy with  
20 strategic planning. Strategic planning at  
21 the campus is headed by a 19 member  
22 strategic planning committee. It is  
23 called the Institutional Planning  
24 Committee. On that committee, it is a  
25 cross section of faculty, staff, students

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2 and represents all of our unions. It has  
3 produced eight plans to date that will  
4 run for the next five years. I will note  
5 that these are a requirement not only for  
6 Middle States, but for SUNY. The College  
7 cannot function without strategic plans.

8 The eight plans are: The Academic  
9 Master Plan, the Assessment Plan, the  
10 Diversity Plan, the Enrollment Plan, the  
11 Facilities Plan, the Financial Plan,  
12 Institutional Effectiveness Plan, and the  
13 Technology Plan. Those plans are all in  
14 final draft form. There was a  
15 presentation made to the community in May  
16 of this year about some of the details  
17 that are in those plans. Those plans  
18 continue to be in effect and certainly  
19 will be updated and posted with the  
20 return of the faculty in the fall.

21 Again, we have worked very hard this  
22 year to make sure that we are fiscally  
23 sound moving forward with our plans. As  
24 many of you know, our enrollments are  
25 moving in a very positive direction as we

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2 look to be very comprehensive.

3 Last year, I stood before you saying  
4 that we will be adding vocational  
5 programming to the College. We are doing  
6 that. We did secure funding from the  
7 State University of New York to the tune  
8 of \$5.4 million to renovate E-Building  
9 for that purpose. The first class will be  
10 offered in the fall. We are working with  
11 the unions for this program so that  
12 students can be guaranteed jobs as they  
13 graduate from this programming. We're  
14 also working with our partners BOCES to  
15 make sure there is an education pipeline  
16 for all of it.

17 We continue to look forward to  
18 continued increases in enrollment as we  
19 build back the College and we build back  
20 the infrastructure to continue to hire  
21 across the board, not only faculty but  
22 staff as well that was decimated through  
23 many, many cuts during COVID.

24 So we present the budget to you in  
25 hopes that it will be approved.

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2 Thank you.

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.

4 Thank you very much. You actually  
5 anticipated a number of my questions. In  
6 terms of enrollment growth, it's  
7 projected at 2.5%.

8 DR. CONZATTI: Yes.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Given  
10 the enrollment decreases in last several  
11 years, is this realistic and what's the  
12 plan to accomplish that?

13 DR. CONZATTI: Yeah, it's very  
14 realistic. We are currently -- and again,  
15 they are projections. We are a few months  
16 from fall, but we get closer and closer.  
17 Today the data that I received is the  
18 College's up 11.2% in enrollment for the  
19 fall. Again, do students have an  
20 opportunity to withdraw? They certainly  
21 do. But I think 2.5 is absolutely doable.

22 Again, we are expanding our  
23 offerings. We're also expanding the  
24 modalities in which we offer courses. Not  
25 only day, night and weekend, which was

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2 traditional. Now they can take hybrid,  
3 fully online, remote, face to face. And  
4 I'm happy to say we are back to face to  
5 face. And I think a lot of students are  
6 responding to that. The trends that we  
7 have seen are that students like to do  
8 their "business transactions", remotely  
9 paying bills online, advisement online,  
10 all of that. But for social interactions  
11 and instruction, many students are very  
12 happy to be back physically on campus.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: What's  
14 the average drop off when you compare the  
15 number of applications as to what the  
16 number that actually enrolls?

17 DR. CONZATTI: We have about a 70%  
18 turnaround rate from application to  
19 fruition of student attending. I'm sure  
20 many of you aware, it's been in the  
21 newspaper, that the SUNY system, the  
22 State University of New York, is taking a  
23 very different tact in enrollments. The  
24 SUNY board has been tasked for all 64  
25 campuses to come up with an overall

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2 enrollment plan, of course, which we are  
3 part of. Every resident of Nassau County  
4 High School graduate has been admitted to  
5 the College automatically. Again, whether  
6 they choose to come to us or not is up to  
7 the individual families and decisions.  
8 But those letters are out and we are  
9 certainly seeing responses to that.

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So you  
11 feel confident based on the response  
12 you've seen thus far in terms of  
13 applications that you're going to be able  
14 to meet that 2.5%?

15 DR. CONZATTI: Yes, sir.

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I'm  
17 curious about this. I noticed the  
18 advertising for for Nassau Community  
19 College is now SUNY Nassau, what's the  
20 thinking?

21 DR. CONZATTI: We've always been  
22 SUNY Nassau. We are an affiliate unit of  
23 the State University of New York. Again,  
24 different community colleges do it a  
25 different way. Some are called SUNY and



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2 then the name of the community college.  
3 Some use County in their name. Our  
4 charter says Nassau Community College,  
5 but we do list State University of New  
6 York on the bottom, as many residents are  
7 unaware that we are subject to SUNY  
8 programs, SUNY regulations and that  
9 alike. It also makes for easier transfer  
10 as well to a SUNY unit, whether that be  
11 Farmingdale, Old Westbury or any of the  
12 other 34 four year institutions.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So I  
14 guess the thinking of including that in  
15 your advertising that it may attract more  
16 kids or more people.

17 DR. CONZATTI: Absolutely. And  
18 again, it's all about transferability of  
19 the credits and all of that as well.  
20 Although we have specific agreements with  
21 many institutions. Certainly the  
22 understanding for not only the students,  
23 but the families that we are part of the  
24 State University of New York, I think is  
25 very helpful.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We've  
3 noted and the Office of Legislative  
4 Budget Review has noted that over the  
5 last several years the College has spent  
6 down their federal ARPA funds, Rescue Act  
7 funds, as well as used the fund balance  
8 at times to balance the budget. And we  
9 note that I think we're down to 5.6% or  
10 we will be with the coming budget. How  
11 concerned should we be about the year  
12 after that, when those funds are no  
13 longer available to use? What's the plan  
14 to make sure that there's no shortfall in  
15 the out years?

16 DR. CONZATTI: Right. I think  
17 enrollments are certainly the key to  
18 that. There have been a number of changes  
19 as well on the state level. We now have  
20 eligibility with part time TAP monies,  
21 where students going to school part time  
22 will be able to get aid. In addition to,  
23 the State is working with -- and again,  
24 this is one advantage of being part of  
25 the State University of New York system.

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2 They are working to make sure that for  
3 workforce development programs, the  
4 College can receive what we call full  
5 time equivalent reimbursement. Currently,  
6 that becomes an unfunded mandate for any  
7 community college, Suffolk, as well as  
8 Nassau. The more workforce development  
9 programming we offer, unfortunately,  
10 there is no calculation on that for  
11 reimbursement from the State. They are  
12 working, SUNY, with State Ed to see what  
13 would be viable as far as including that  
14 kind of programming for FTE  
15 reimbursement. And that would be  
16 tremendous for us as we get into offering  
17 vocational programs in order to become  
18 more comprehensive.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Just  
20 to jump around a little bit, there is a  
21 decline in the number of faculty in the  
22 budget. In other words, I think through  
23 attrition, you're losing a certain  
24 amount.

25 DR. CONZATTI: Correct.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: And  
3 you're only building back a certain  
4 number of that. What's the basis of that?

5 And secondly, there's been a  
6 question raised as to whether the number  
7 of administrators keep growing. Could  
8 you address both points, please?

9 DR. CONZATTI: Of course. Let me  
10 address the administrative one first.

11 For the first time this year, there  
12 is an administrative union that is new to  
13 the College. Once the union contract was  
14 solidified and passed, which it now is,  
15 that was settled the tail end of this  
16 year, I think it was March/April that was  
17 finalized. Obviously, we don't want to  
18 violate administrative contracts now that  
19 they are a unionized shop. So there were  
20 certain areas in which faculty were given  
21 what we called reassigned time for  
22 certain project. That is now being  
23 evaluated and a lot of that work is being  
24 deemed within the work of the union  
25 itself, which has caused us then to hire

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2 administrators where we did not have any  
3 because that is deemed administrative  
4 work. So that is part of the issue with  
5 that now. We are going through those  
6 pains currently having a new union on the  
7 ground with this that are administrative.  
8 Job descriptions are being looked at.  
9 They are being tweaked to make sure there  
10 are no violations between unions and work  
11 is being rerouted based on the potential  
12 for grievances and the like.

13 As far as faculty, we are hiring  
14 full time faculty and we continue to do  
15 so. We will continue to do so -- I have  
16 said that publicly -- as we build the  
17 enrollments back.

18 As far as retirements, again, we  
19 can't control where the retirements are,  
20 but we are certainly replacing faculty.  
21 And as the enrollments continue to build,  
22 we will continue to hire full time  
23 faculty.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
25 Thank you very much.

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2                   Legislator Ford.

3                   LEGISLATOR FORD: Thank you very  
4 much for your presentation.

5                   I have other questions, but I just  
6 want to continue with the hiring and the  
7 faculty. I'm happy to hear that you now  
8 have an Administration Union and I  
9 understand that the need to bring people  
10 in. But I think, though, when I look when  
11 I with the College and with the  
12 professors, when we and trying to entice  
13 more students to come to Nassau Community  
14 College, I think sometimes by having a  
15 vibrant, well-staffed teaching staff  
16 would be something that the students  
17 would look at and would want to go there.  
18 You know, maybe they'd have favorite  
19 professors or somebody that they'd like  
20 to be in their class. So I'm hoping that  
21 you'll take a look at this and maybe take  
22 a look at the list of the various  
23 positions that even the Union has  
24 outlined.

25                   For me, though, I'm looking at where

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2 are you with the Nursing Program? You  
3 know, I know that they're looking to  
4 bring more instructors in, and I know  
5 that has always been a successful  
6 program. And considering the fact that  
7 we're in need of nurses, that what what  
8 are you doing to expand that program?

9 DR. CONZATTI: Yeah. The expansion  
10 of that program, we did have a four year  
11 option added that was a couple of years  
12 ago. That certainly has served us well.  
13 And certainly with the news of NYU  
14 Langone Building, a flagship hospital  
15 there, and some of the synergies between  
16 their campus and ours will go a very long  
17 way to be able to expand a lot of the  
18 program with nursing and the allied  
19 health science areas as well as other  
20 disciplines.

21 LEGISLATOR FORD: And have you with  
22 the whole training facility -- because  
23 way back when, I think Rich and Kevan  
24 will remember, that you didn't have a  
25 nursing program, they needed a new

1  
2 science building or whatever. I'm trying  
3 to remember way back when.

4 DR. CONZATTI: The Life Sciences  
5 Building.

6 LEGISLATOR FORD: Life science.  
7 Thank you. And we were able to work with  
8 the Legislature and New York State where  
9 we matched the funding, I think it was  
10 like \$50 Million, where they invested in  
11 building this new life sciences; have you  
12 been able to keep it updated working with  
13 it so that whatever it is now needed for,  
14 training, especially in nursing or any  
15 other medical?

16 DR. CONZATTI: We have. Our nurses  
17 are very highly rated for sure. You'll  
18 see them in the hospitals. My mom,  
19 certainly, was in the hospital several  
20 times during COVID and was taken care of  
21 by Nassau Community College nursing  
22 graduates. So, yes.

23 LEGISLATOR FORD: All right. Now, my  
24 other favorite subject would be the  
25 theater.



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2 DR. CONZATTI: Yes.

3 LEGISLATOR FORD: When we went on  
4 the tour, I was very interested in it.  
5 And I was sad to see the state of  
6 basically disrepair. And the fact that  
7 you lost much-needed professors that  
8 would be able to work with the students.  
9 And so many young people, you know, they  
10 can find themselves singing, dancing,  
11 acting, writing. So where are you with  
12 that?

13 DR. CONZATTI: Well, it actually  
14 involves all of you in some way.  
15 Apparently, there is the old theater that  
16 is on the campus. That used to belong to  
17 the military base. We have asked that  
18 that property be transferred to the  
19 college so that we can then use the \$20  
20 Million that has been sitting for a very  
21 long time to renovate that building so we  
22 can have state of the art for our  
23 students and also use it in off times for  
24 rental, hosting of a lot of dance  
25 schools, so forth and so on, as space for

1  
2 the community.

3 LEGISLATOR FORD: That would be  
4 good. And I hope that we will be able to  
5 achieve that because I think it would be  
6 much needed. And so then the instructions  
7 would also be at that theater or would  
8 you still maintain --

9 DR. CONZATTI: Yes. No, the theater  
10 would be used certainly for set up,  
11 classes, everything could be offered in  
12 the theater as well as all the  
13 productions that they put on, because I  
14 agree, the facility that they're  
15 currently in is not great.

16 LEGISLATOR FORD: I happen to live  
17 in Long Beach. Not that I knew Billy  
18 Crystal, but it's his hometown.

19 DR. CONZATTI: I don't know him  
20 either, but it's nice to have him as an  
21 alum, right?

22 LEGISLATOR FORD: And look, he's  
23 going to get the Kennedy Center honor. So  
24 here you go. One of your alumni. Would  
25 be nice, maybe you could even invite him,

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2 if you're successful, maybe he could do  
3 the ribbon cutting for you. That'd be  
4 great. I know his brother. I'm sure Mr.  
5 Crystal is probably very friendly and  
6 open to working with you on that.

7 Also with the library. The rug  
8 isn't still there, right?

9 DR. CONZATTI: The rug is still  
10 there. But wait. So there is no point in  
11 changing carpeting if the roof leaks. So  
12 we have engaged in evaluating all 82  
13 buildings on campus for an evaluation of  
14 the roof. The roofs now have been  
15 repaired on the library. We are now  
16 looking at the utilization of space so  
17 that we can renovate. And while we  
18 renovate, the carpet will be ripped up as  
19 well as the renovations for use in the  
20 library. So it will be done all in one  
21 shot. I promise you that the orange  
22 carpet will not stay.

23 LEGISLATOR FORD: I hope, before I  
24 retire.

25 DR. CONZATTI: It will be before you

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2 retire. It should be this year. We just  
3 want to make sure that we're doing the  
4 space planning. We have our EOP,  
5 Educational Opportunity Program, moving  
6 into the library so it's accessible for  
7 all. So with those renovations, obviously  
8 carpeting, tile, whatever, electrical  
9 work, everything will be done all in one  
10 shot. But the roof is repaired, so there  
11 is there is no point in the carpet  
12 staying.

13 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. Thank you.  
14 You know, I do appreciate, you know, the  
15 work that you're doing on behalf of the  
16 college, which ultimately helps our  
17 residents and especially our students.  
18 And you've done a great job in my  
19 opinion. Thank you for all your answers  
20 and always updating us and always being  
21 on top of everything. So you're doing a  
22 phenomenal job. But I'm also a person  
23 who believes that sometimes you also need  
24 to hear from the people. Success comes  
25 from a lot of times the bottom up. So

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2 when I know that you have a lot of great  
3 professors and a lot of people who also  
4 work for the College and that this is  
5 their life's mission as well. So I hope  
6 that you'll listen to many of your  
7 professors, whether or not they're full  
8 time or part time, and hear what they  
9 have to say in regard to the classes and  
10 what other options or we can provide to  
11 the students to make it a more, I don't  
12 know --

13 DR. CONZATTI: Robust.

14 LEGISLATOR FORD: Robust. Thank you  
15 very much. College experience. Because I  
16 think it's very important and I know a  
17 lot of the residents, a lot of the kids  
18 in my community do go to Nassau Community  
19 College. Two of my children went there.  
20 So to me, it is very important. So I hope  
21 that everybody can work together to  
22 really make it the jewel and keep it the  
23 jewel that it was meant to be.

24 But I really thank you for your  
25 leadership in all of this. You've done a

1  
2 lot.

3 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
5 Legislator Walker and then Legislator  
6 Drucker, Lafazan and Bynoe.

7 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Some of my  
8 questions were already answered. But  
9 could you just explain what you meant  
10 when you said that -- I believe you said  
11 that the seniors got a letter saying that  
12 they're admitted to the College. So that  
13 was every high school senior?

14 DR. CONZATTI: Yes, ma'am. Every  
15 high school senior got a letter and it  
16 was generated by the State University of  
17 New York, by the Chancellor's Office,  
18 saying that you were automatically  
19 admitted to the local community college,  
20 and that was done statewide.

21 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Okay. Is this  
22 the first year we're doing that?

23 DR. CONZATTI: Yes. It is brand  
24 new. So a couple of little wrinkles in  
25 their theory. But yes, where we have very

1  
2 highly competitive programs like nursing,  
3 they are automatically admitted to the  
4 institution. Where there are only a  
5 certain number of seats, Allied Health,  
6 Science, Nursing, that gets a little  
7 dicey for us to automatically admit  
8 because there's rotations involved,  
9 clinicals involved, and the like. But we  
10 are working with the Chancellor's Office  
11 on some of the tweaks. All of the  
12 community college presidents are because  
13 we're all experiencing the same thing.

14 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Obviously, then  
15 some students have to be turned down, or  
16 say, well, you can come here, but you  
17 can't be admitted into that program yet?

18 DR. CONZATTI: We're going to try  
19 not to do that, but that is possible  
20 where there are rotations, so forth and  
21 so on. But for instance, with nursing,  
22 the plan with that would be for them to  
23 take all their prerequisite courses prior  
24 to then going into nursing. Normally,  
25 under liberal arts and math science,

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2 they're put on a track to take courses  
3 that they need as prerequisite courses to  
4 get into the Nursing Program.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Have you seen  
6 like a boost because of this letter that  
7 went out?

8 DR. CONZATTI: We have and we're  
9 tracking it. We do have to provide data  
10 back to SUNY in what that is because  
11 they're they have their estimations on  
12 what they believe the increase is across  
13 the board will be. I will tell you that  
14 Nassau Community College has seen an  
15 uptick of over 50% in applications. But  
16 again, applications are only the first  
17 step. So we will be monitoring it all the  
18 way through registration because we will  
19 have to report that to the State  
20 University of New York.

21 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Okay. I just  
22 want to make sure I understand it right.  
23 Okay. Thank you.

24 DR. CONZATTI: You're welcome.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next,



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2           Legislator Drucker.

3           LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you very  
4 much, Presiding Officer.

5           Maria, how are you?

6           DR. CONZATTI: I'm doing well, sir.  
7 Thank you.

8           LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Great  
9 presentation. You know, when I was on the  
10 board in 2012, we had 22,000 students at  
11 that time. And I think then we had a  
12 probationary period with Middle States  
13 and it was some rocky times and it was a  
14 little nerve wracking, but we survived  
15 it. And I think you've done a tremendous  
16 job in steering the ship in some very  
17 rocky waters. And I'm just hopeful that  
18 you don't project any difficulties in  
19 meeting the Middle States criteria for  
20 the inspections next year, do you?

21           DR. CONZATTI: Absolutely not. I was  
22 happy to hear we have a plan. The plan is  
23 approved. As a matter of fact, as you  
24 know, Legislator Drucker, the vice  
25 president, liaison to Middle States, met

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2 with members of our Board and said he is  
3 looking forward to a very successful  
4 visit in Spring of 25. And I doubt that  
5 he would have said that unless he meant  
6 it, because that would be very dicey on  
7 his end as a representative on behalf of  
8 Middle States to have stated that.

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Well, as I  
10 said, you've managed to steer the ship  
11 with some during some rocky waters. And  
12 couple that with the fact of a declining  
13 enrollment, Nassau County hasn't  
14 increased its contribution funding in 15  
15 years, it's difficult, but you're doing a  
16 pretty good job.

17 I just have one question concerning  
18 this new State Policy of giving automatic  
19 admission or acceptance to two  
20 applicants. Does that skew the  
21 projections you have for an increased  
22 enrollment in September?

23 DR. CONZATTI: It doesn't because  
24 the 2.5 was based on what we were doing  
25 prior to that coming down from the State.

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2 Again, as we're tracking it, we're  
3 segregating normal trends and  
4 applications versus students that are  
5 then saying, I got this letter from the  
6 State because they identify it that way,  
7 because we have to track it that way. So  
8 we're keeping the data very separate. So  
9 that 2.5 projection really is not based  
10 on us kind of putting all our eggs in one  
11 basket with the letter coming from the  
12 State University of New York.

13 Again, we have some very talented  
14 students here that, as you know, have a  
15 plethora of excellent colleges and  
16 universities that they can go to.

17 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you,  
18 Maria. Good luck.

19 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
21 Legislator Lafazan.

22 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Thank you,  
23 Presiding Officer. Good afternoon.

24 DR. CONZATTI: Good afternoon.  
25 Obviously, as an alum of the College and

1  
2 a passionate supporter of the College,  
3 your success is our success. So we are  
4 rooting for you and rooting for the  
5 College. I just wanted to know, the  
6 strategic plan, that's done?

7 DR. CONZATTI: The strategic plans  
8 are done. They are in final form. There  
9 was a presentation to the community in  
10 May. They'll be posted on the website  
11 before the fall returns. There were some  
12 discussions and tweaks to the plans that  
13 we're waiting for, some data that needed  
14 to be added, and we needed the summer  
15 data to add.

16 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: So as soon as  
17 that's done, we can get a copy?

18 DR. CONZATTI: Of course. Do you  
19 want all eight of them?

20 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: I'll take  
21 everything you have.

22 DR. CONZATTI: Okay. Yes, there are  
23 eight of them.

24 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Thank you.

25 DR. CONZATTI: Of course.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Legislator Bynoe, did you have questions?

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Just one quick  
one. Thank you, Presiding Officer.

Good day. How are you?

DR. CONZATTI: How are you?

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. I just need  
some clarity. You said before 11.2%  
increase. Was that to enrollment?

DR. CONZATTI: Enrollment, right.  
For fall enrollment, we are up 11.2%.  
Yes.

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. And what do  
you attribute that to? I know we talked  
about vocation and all those other  
things. Do you think there's an external  
factor, i.e. the economy, people  
reinventing themselves after the  
pandemic? I'm just trying to get an idea  
of what you attribute that to.

DR. CONZATTI: I think it's all of  
that, Legislator Bynoe. I think people  
are happy to be back face to face. I  
think we're becoming more comprehensive.

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2 We are moving to changing our marketing.  
3 I think a lot of it is the economy and  
4 people realizing that you can go to a  
5 community college and still transfer to  
6 excellent four year institutions.

7 Again, you don't necessarily have to  
8 get a degree from us. You could be  
9 retraining. We have many teachers in the  
10 county that come to us just to take a  
11 series of classes is to be retrained. So  
12 I think it's a number of items. I don't  
13 think it's one thing.

14 We are again looking to become more  
15 comprehensive. We are listening to people  
16 in the community. We are inviting the  
17 community on campus more so that they  
18 understand who we are and what we do. So  
19 I think there's not one magic bullet per  
20 se, on why the enrollments are  
21 increasing, but they are, and I'm  
22 grateful for that on a number of fronts.

23 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. And so I  
24 can't let Josh have the stage by himself.  
25 I'm also an alum and I'm actually a

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2 second generation alum. So I really am  
3 interested to just delve just a little  
4 bit deeper into this number, if you  
5 would.

6 You hit an excellent point about  
7 some folks are only coming for continuing  
8 education. Because even my mom, after she  
9 graduated, came back and did some  
10 continuing education credits. Of this  
11 11.2% increase, how many of those are  
12 individuals who are tracking toward a two  
13 year degree versus that Continuing Ed  
14 piece.

15 DR. CONZATTI: Yeah, the Continuing  
16 Ed is not in that number. Continuing Ed  
17 is separately tracked. Those are all  
18 degree seeking students. And again, the  
19 idea is to get them to completion. That's  
20 the idea of Guided Pathways and some of  
21 the things that we have underway that  
22 when Legislator Lafazan gets all of our  
23 enrollment plans and all of these other  
24 plans, you'll see terminology called  
25 Guided Pathways in there, which is really

1  
2 not just to have a student register the  
3 first semester, but really get to  
4 completion. That's really the key.

5 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So is that number  
6 also increased? The number that's  
7 separate and apart from the 11.2 --

8 DR. CONZATTI: The Continuing Ed  
9 number? I do not know. I can get back to  
10 you on that. I have not looked at that.  
11 As I said, we're funded on the full time  
12 equivalent, which is the students going  
13 for those kinds of programs, not for the  
14 Continuing Ed workforce, which is  
15 something that the State is looking at  
16 funding for us.

17 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. Very good.  
18 And they're also looking in some way to  
19 also fund not just your Continuing Ed, as  
20 I understand it, but also the Vocational  
21 Or Workforce Development.

22 DR. CONZATTI: Yes, ma'am.

23 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Is there a real  
24 difference between workforce development  
25 and the vocational, or they're just using



1  
2 that term interchangeably?

3 DR. CONZATTI: They use it  
4 interchangeably. Again, Continuing Ed  
5 does offer courses in very nebulous  
6 things for the community. They can offer  
7 a course in wine tasting, they can offer  
8 a course in how to balance your  
9 checkbook. That's traditional Continuing  
10 Ed versus workforce where there is a  
11 skill set needed. So that's kind of the  
12 separation now.

13 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Yeah, I know  
14 Continuing Ed is separate. I'm talking  
15 about workforce and vocational. Are you  
16 separating those or are those lumped  
17 together?

18 DR. CONZATTI: Again, we separate  
19 them depending if it's a grant driven  
20 initiative and it's specifically monies  
21 for workforce. It depends on how the  
22 entity separates it versus the  
23 institution.

24 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. Very good.  
25 You've met a lot of your challenges.

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2 Some of them preceded you, but you've  
3 seemed to come in and right size many of  
4 those things. You know that in our  
5 meeting that spirited discussion and  
6 concern about how our professors and  
7 educators are being treated there and  
8 and, you know, getting to a resolve on  
9 the CBA and the challenge as the union  
10 president came and said, you know,  
11 there's an issue of basically a reduction  
12 in their paycheck based on what's  
13 happening. Do you see that that's going  
14 to in any way prevent you from being able  
15 to attract individuals to come to the  
16 college and accept some of these open  
17 positions based on the amount of of of  
18 funding that you've set aside? I mean,  
19 because you should be, I guess, in the  
20 throes of trying to backfill those  
21 positions as we speak.

22 DR. CONZATTI: And we are. We are  
23 advertising the positions they are  
24 posted. Some of those positions have  
25 already closed. There are a number of

1  
2 applicants for positions that we are  
3 hiring. So to date, we don't see any  
4 hesitation in that. That could be because  
5 of a lot of individuals. And again, we  
6 have very highly skilled faculty. A lot  
7 of them come from industry. In industry  
8 they are used to very much paying into  
9 health insurance. How much that is, I  
10 don't know. As far as settling that, it  
11 is my sincere hope. We are in mediation  
12 now. There was a mediation session a few  
13 weeks ago, there is another mediation  
14 session tomorrow, and another one in July  
15 that before the Fall semester starts that  
16 this will be settled.

17 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: All right. I know  
18 it's obvious it's important to your  
19 faculty, but it's also important to me  
20 and I'm sure everyone who's sitting up  
21 here to make sure that there's some  
22 equitable and expedient resolution to  
23 this matter. Because the challenge, I  
24 think it'll be even easier for you to be  
25 able to recruit not just bodies to come

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2 and backfill those positions, but really  
3 highly skilled individuals who can come  
4 and continue the quality of education  
5 that I received and Josh received and  
6 others at Nassau Community College. So I  
7 wish you the best and the union president  
8 as well in that endeavor.

9 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you.

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
11 Legislatoe Pilip and then Legislator  
12 Mulé.

13 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Thank you,  
14 Presiding Officer.

15 Maria, great presentation. I'm very  
16 happy you are checking out different  
17 options on how to bring more students to  
18 the college. That's amazing.

19 I was wondering, the college is  
20 offering Medical Assistance Program right  
21 now or no?

22 DR. CONZATTI: Yes, we do. We have a  
23 Medical Assistant Program. We have two  
24 tracks for that. One specific for  
25 Northwell for their employees and one for

1  
2 the general population that would be  
3 interested in medical assistant.

4 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Perfect, because  
5 that can lead to nursing down the line  
6 and there is a big need for that. So  
7 thank you.

8 DR. CONZATTI: Yes. Absolutely.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
10 Legislator Mule.

11 LEGISLATOR MULE: Thank you,  
12 Presiding officer. Hi, Maria. I just  
13 have one question which came out of the  
14 conversation. So now that every high  
15 school student gets this letter giving  
16 them admittance, why is there a need to  
17 apply any more? To the college.

18 DR. CONZATTI: Because we need all  
19 of their vital information, right? The  
20 application process, then they get a  
21 letter saying you will be automatically  
22 admitted. But obviously we need them to  
23 fill out the application form so that we  
24 know what program they're interested in.  
25 The letter that goes out is very generic,

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2 saying you're admitted to the college.  
3 Okay, so the student then has to fill out  
4 the application form so that we know what  
5 program they're interested in. Obviously,  
6 we want to encourage them to fill out a  
7 FAFSA form for financial aid and so forth  
8 and so on. So the College's normal  
9 business processes take over. The letter  
10 just indicates you've been automatically  
11 accepted. This is a new effort by the  
12 State University of New York, and please  
13 to contact your local community college.

14 LEGISLATOR MULE: That leads to  
15 another question. In college, my girls  
16 went through the whole process, and I  
17 know that there was a whole committee for  
18 reviewing applications and offering  
19 admittance or not. And so does that mean  
20 you no longer need that branch of the of  
21 the college?

22 DR. CONZATTI: We definitely need an  
23 Admissions Office. No, we don't function  
24 by Committee. We're open enrollment. So  
25 we admit all students. The question is,

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2 do they meet the minimum requirements for  
3 certain degree programs? If not, they may  
4 be accepted into a liberal arts area  
5 similar to nursing students who don't  
6 meet the qualifications to go directly  
7 into nursing. They may be taking  
8 prerequisite courses and so forth and so  
9 on.

10 LEGISLATOR MULE: Okay. Thank you.

11 DR. CONZATTI: You're welcome.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

13 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

14 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So just  
15 for for our clarification, there is a  
16 difference between those that are  
17 admitted and those that are registered.

18 DR. CONZATTI: Correct.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: And  
20 when you're talking about your increase  
21 in number, those are the ones that are  
22 registered?

23 DR. CONZATTI: Yes, ma'am.

24 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So they  
25 went past the point of receiving that

1  
2 letter, contacted you, and signed up.

3 DR. CONZATTI: Correct. Filling out  
4 the form, sending in all of their records  
5 and all that went to the final step of  
6 registering for classes.

7 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
8 Just because I have a minute, I want to  
9 just say I'm still hopeful that the ARPA  
10 Funding can be examined to see as to  
11 whether or not once your negotiations are  
12 over, every indication that we've had,  
13 this funding would be available to fill  
14 in the gap of the expense of the health  
15 insurance for your faculty. So even if we  
16 wait till after your new terms are agreed  
17 upon and your new contract is signed,  
18 this should really be explored. And I  
19 think it has to come from you to request  
20 the ARPA funding from this  
21 Administration, at least 1.5-1.6 to do in  
22 retroactive pay to your professors that,  
23 in my opinion, have been stuck in the  
24 middle of this negotiation to a point  
25 where, honestly, I don't think it's fair



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2 to them. And I think it's been life  
3 changing to many of them. And although we  
4 really support the College, this is the  
5 one aspect that's really bothering us.  
6 And it can be -- right now, we just  
7 happen to be at a time where this money  
8 is available. So you have to explore it.  
9 I hope that you could give us give us  
10 your word that you will at least explore  
11 that option.

12 DR. CONZATTI: I will promise you  
13 that I will engage county constituents in  
14 the discussion of ARPA funds and the use  
15 thereof.

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
17 For reimbursing the employees that had to  
18 pay out of pocket for their health  
19 expenses during this time, correct?

20 DR. CONZATTI: Yes. Happy to have  
21 that conversation.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Maria,  
23 did the College receive its own Rescue  
24 Act funds, ARPA funds, directly?

25 DR. CONZATTI: Yes.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: How  
3 much was that?

4 DR. CONZATTI: I don't know.

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I can  
6 give you the number: \$72 million.

7 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you. We called  
8 it HEERF. Yeah.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So you  
10 received you already received \$72 million  
11 directly. Okay.

12 Legislator Walker.

13 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Just one other  
14 question. Students have received this  
15 letter and they can go through the  
16 process.

17 DR. CONZATTI: Yes.

18 LEGISLATOR WALKER: You still have  
19 programs for, say, a student who  
20 academically fell a little short and they  
21 needed extra help in certain areas and  
22 whatever. You still have all those  
23 programs to get the students on track  
24 where perhaps they can start right away  
25 in some classes, but other classes, they

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2 need some remedial work or whatever.

3 DR. CONZATTI: Yes.

4 LEGISLATOR WALKER: When I was  
5 working in the school districts, I would  
6 I would stress on the kids all the time.  
7 I said, you know, you go to Nassau  
8 Community College, you can get a great  
9 education and you can go on to get  
10 scholarships at four year schools. And,  
11 you know, you don't have the large debt  
12 that you have if you went sometimes to  
13 that four year program right away. I  
14 think we need to to work with all of our  
15 school districts. And sometimes I think  
16 they don't push it as much as they could  
17 either. But a lot of our students can  
18 take advantage of that and do well and  
19 move on to bigger and better things. I  
20 would just love to see us get back on  
21 track with all of that, get our  
22 enrollment up and really do things.

23 But your presentation has been  
24 wonderful, and I can't thank you enough  
25 for all you're trying to do to help the

1  
2 College and to help our students.

3 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you.

4 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Presiding  
5 Officer, if I could?

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
7 Legislator Bynoe.

8 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So it's actually  
9 directed not to you. You're off the hot  
10 seat for a second.

11 It's just what I wanted to state is  
12 that I agree with you, community colleges  
13 received direct ARPA funds. But our  
14 research indicated that aside from the  
15 direct funding received by the College  
16 from the federal government, also there  
17 were there were times when the local  
18 municipality served to provide additional  
19 funding. Because in many of those cases,  
20 those community colleges were already  
21 under duress prior to COVID. And I think  
22 given the fact that we know this  
23 community college has been under that  
24 level of duress prior to COVID, it  
25 warrants the further exploration as to

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2 whether we can and should be funding them  
3 additionally. So I just wanted to make  
4 that point on the record.

5 Thank you.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Point  
7 made.

8 Anyone else have questions for Dr.  
9 Conzatti?

10 (Whereupon, no verbal  
11 response.)

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
13 you, Maria. Appreciate it.

14 Next would be a presentation by  
15 Maurice Chalmers from the Office of  
16 Legislative Legislative Budget Review.

17 MR. CHALMERS: Hello, everybody.  
18 Maurice Chalmers, budget review.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All  
20 right. Why don't you give a summary of  
21 your report, please.

22 MR. CHALMERS: So basically, I  
23 reiterate a lot of the questions that Dr.  
24 Maria just spoke about. So this budget  
25 that is being proposed by the College is

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2 a no tuition increase, no property tax  
3 increase. One of the major hurdles that  
4 the College has been having has to do  
5 with enrollment. Enrollment has decreased  
6 approximately 16.9% from in the years  
7 20/21, 10.5% in 21/22, and for 22/23, the  
8 projection is a -2.9.

9 The budget that is being proposed is  
10 is increasing enrollment by 2.5%. And I  
11 guess you just heard the explanations on  
12 how they are going to achieve it.  
13 Apparently, they are already seeing the  
14 increase and they have seen close to an  
15 11% increase, which makes the 2.5  
16 achievable. We will be monitoring it and  
17 reporting back to the Legislature as the  
18 year progresses.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
20 Anything else?

21 MR. CHALMERS: No. The fund balance  
22 is the other issue. Not really an issue.  
23 That is the other area that we kind of  
24 flagged. They are using approximately  
25 15.6 million in fund balance, which would

1  
2 leave the College with approximately 10.4  
3 million, which is still threshold  
4 compliant, but it's getting closer to the  
5 4%.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
7 So I think the 10.4 would bring it down  
8 to about 5.6.

9 MR. CHALMERS: Correct; that is  
10 correct.

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So  
12 it's getting closer to the minimum  
13 threshold?

14 MR. CHALMERS: Yes. It's still  
15 threshold compliant, but it's getting  
16 closer to the 4%.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Do you  
18 know what the other community colleges  
19 are doing this year in terms of tuition  
20 increases?

21 MR. CHALMERS: Yes. The current  
22 tuition for the year is \$5,800. It is  
23 staying the same. Nassau Community  
24 College is not increasing the rate.

25 Suffolk, right now, the tuition is

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2 \$5,470, going up to \$5,640, which is \$170  
3 more. It would still be cheaper than  
4 Nassau by \$160. So it's right there.

5 Westchester, the current tuition is  
6 \$4,730. They are going up to \$5,204,  
7 which is an increase of \$474.

8 So both Suffolk and Westchester are  
9 increasing their tuition, which is  
10 getting them closer to where Nassau is  
11 right now.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
13 And when you say closer, we're not  
14 talking about a large gap.

15 MR. CHALMERS: No, the gap is very  
16 small. The gap will be \$160 a year from  
17 Suffolk to Nassau and from Westchester to  
18 Nassau, it will be about \$600 for the  
19 year.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: In  
21 terms of how much Suffolk gives to their  
22 community college, how does that equate  
23 to what Nassau gives?

24 MR. CHALMERS: Nassau gives about  
25 52.2 million. I believe Suffolk is close



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2 to 50, but I would have to verify how  
3 much Suffolk and I don't have those  
4 numbers right now.

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
6 legislators have any questions for  
7 Maurice?

8 (Whereupon, no verbal  
9 response.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We have  
11 one slip of public comment. Dave Stern  
12 would like to come up. And then whoever  
13 else would like to speak may do also.

14 MR. STERN: Okay. As you know, in my  
15 comment earlier, I asked that you table  
16 the Resolution until you get a plan,  
17 strategic plan. And I think it's very  
18 important for the Legislature and each of  
19 you to base your vote on accurate  
20 information.

21 So my question -- I actually am a  
22 member of the College's Institutional  
23 Planning Committee. I was appointed just  
24 a couple of months ago. They don't have a  
25 plan. I'm not sure what Acting President

1  
2 Canzatti was talking about. The plan that  
3 existed was under President Keen and his  
4 Vice President Collins put together a  
5 plan to cover the years 2017-21. We went  
6 three years without any update to that  
7 plan. And so this year, they went back  
8 and sort of filled in the gaps for '22.  
9 That's not planning. That's kind of like  
10 trying to fix it for Middle States.

11 Now, the current plan that's  
12 supposed to be in place is supposed to be  
13 for 23-28. That plan was supposed to be  
14 in a draft form last month. And when it  
15 came time for the draft documents to be  
16 presented by many of them who were  
17 administrators that were responsible for  
18 those draft plans, those plans were not  
19 available. So only one plan was available  
20 in very draft form and it was missing a  
21 lot of pieces. So right now, as we stand,  
22 we do not have a strategic plan. That's  
23 something Middle States requires.

24 Now, when they come and do a review  
25 of how you're going to review yourself,

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2 that's not the same as what the details  
3 are. And I think it's very important,  
4 because how do you actually budget for  
5 the College without having a plan?

6 And I just want to give an example.  
7 I also heard that and by the way, I thank  
8 all of you legislators that did ask  
9 questions, many of them very important  
10 questions to ask. However, I question the  
11 accuracy of some of the responses you got  
12 back. For instance, we have over 40  
13 faculty that are retiring because of that  
14 pay cut in part. It was announced that  
15 only 12 will be replaced. Okay. That's  
16 like a quarter of the amount of current  
17 faculty. Now, what's the problem right  
18 now? Our Engineering Department, they're  
19 going to lose their ABET accreditation  
20 because they don't have enough full time  
21 faculty running the Engineering Program.  
22 That's right now, without replacing  
23 faculty. Really, we should be replacing  
24 all 40 faculty. And that's sort of what I  
25 heard in a response. And you know what?

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2 If we got that wrong, the 12 lines, if we  
3 hear that President Canzatti will replace  
4 more than 40 lines that are retiring,  
5 we'd be more than happy. But I think that  
6 you're entitled to have accurate  
7 information.

8 Our nursing staff. I know there are  
9 questions about nursing. Our nursing  
10 staff, half of the nursing full time  
11 faculty staff is retiring and leaving.  
12 Half. That's for our daytime program. We  
13 really don't have a nighttime program  
14 because of other contractual issues. Now,  
15 we could easily double our enrollment and  
16 that would help the County greatly,  
17 double our nursing enrollment if we  
18 doubled the number of nursing faculty.  
19 But instead, they're not even going to  
20 replace all five/six faculty in the  
21 nursing staff that are retiring.

22 So I think a lot of this is detail,  
23 and I didn't want to get into the detail  
24 with you because I know you're busy  
25 people. But that's what a strategic plan

1  
2 is for. And I really ask you to ask the  
3 College if they, in fact, have a  
4 strategic plan that they produce it and  
5 let the faculty see it, too. We just see  
6 an old plan and we see one of those seven  
7 reports, Acting President Canzatti  
8 mentioned. We only saw one in very draft  
9 form. It was missing a whole piece  
10 dealing with academics, which is our core  
11 thing.

12 So please, I ask that you just table  
13 it shortly. We still have the summer  
14 before the budget needs to be passed to  
15 ask for these details. They're really  
16 important for the College. Thank you.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.

18 Thank you. This is a public comment  
19 on this proposed budget. Anyone else?

20 (Whereupon, no verbal  
21 response.)

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: If  
23 not, I would ask for a motion to close  
24 the hearing. Legislator Walker makes a  
25 motion, seconded by Legislator Ford.

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2 All in favor of closing the hearing,  
3 signify by saying, "Aye".

4 (Whereupon, all members of  
5 the Full Legislature respond in  
6 favor with, "Aye".)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
8 opposed?

9 (Whereupon, no verbal  
10 response.)

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Hearing is closed.

13 We are going to take a very short  
14 break.

15 (Whereupon, recess,  
16 3:57-4:18 p.m.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We're  
18 coming out of recess. I'm going to  
19 recognize Minority Leader Abrahams.

20 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you,  
21 Presiding Officer.

22 I do want to invite Madam President  
23 back up. I just have a quick question as  
24 it pertains to -- there was a question  
25 that was that was brought up by Mr.

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2 Stern. And I just want to make sure  
3 before we move forward, any particular  
4 budget today, that we have a full  
5 understanding of how the staff that's  
6 leaving versus how the staff is being  
7 backfilled and whether or not as the  
8 staff that is leaving, is it jeopardizing  
9 any programs, including the nursing or  
10 engineering program that has been  
11 specified?

12 DR. CONZATTI: Okay. So there is no  
13 accreditation, I assure you, being  
14 jeopardized.

15 As a matter of fact, let's use  
16 nursing as an example. So and again,  
17 Chief Academic Officer is here, Dr.  
18 Alvarez Ortiz. The recommendations for  
19 replacements of lines are made. The  
20 department chairs request lines with  
21 justification. There's discussion with  
22 the Academic Dean, then the Vice  
23 President for Academic Affairs that's  
24 then brought to Cabinet as a  
25 recommendation for line replacement. So

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2 let's take a program such as nursing.  
3 There were six retirements, four were  
4 replaced. Four were replaced again, as  
5 we're conscious of the budget, okay. If  
6 we expand programs, we will certainly  
7 hire faculty as we're expanding programs.  
8 But we also take into consideration that  
9 the six faculty that are retiring have  
10 also requested to teach adjunct and  
11 continue teaching for us on a part time  
12 basis.

13 So the question of course,  
14 budgetarily is, is are there enough  
15 courses then that are running or that  
16 will need to run not only with the  
17 current pool of part time adjuncts that  
18 are teaching, but to also give the  
19 opportunity for those that are retiring,  
20 that wish to continue to teach with us to  
21 teach? The answer to that was yes, which  
22 is why it was four out of six lines  
23 instead of all six.

24 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I understand.

25 DR. CONZATTI: Does that make sense?



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2                   LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes. It does.

3                   DR. CONZATTI: And again, as we  
4 continue to increase enrollments, I  
5 assure you we will continue to hire full  
6 time faculty. As far as engineering, we  
7 did look at that closely. That was a  
8 discussion point. We had one faculty  
9 member retire. There were three current  
10 engineers in the Program. Then we had  
11 another faculty member, unfortunately  
12 pass away unexpectedly. We have replaced  
13 that line.

14                  LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Got it.

15                  DR. CONZATTI: So that puts four  
16 full time engineers in the department.

17                  LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Okay. Well,  
18 thank you. I appreciate that. I have  
19 nothing further.

20                  PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
21 you. Any other legislators?

22                  Legislators Giuffre.

23                  LEGISLATOR GIUFFRE: Acting  
24 President, I just wanted to thank you. I  
25 didn't get a chance before, but I wanted

1  
2 to thank you for the presentation and for  
3 what you presented to us and our  
4 individual caucuses. And just for the  
5 work that you're doing to keep the  
6 college going through a very difficult  
7 time. You came out of the pandemic. And I  
8 know you and I see Jerry Kornbluth back  
9 there. Everybody worked very hard, and  
10 so I wanted to recognize that. Thank  
11 you.

12 DR. CONZATTI: Thank you.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.

14 All right. Item's before us. All in  
15 favor signify by saying, "Aye"?

16 (Whereupon, all members of  
17 the Full Legislature respond in  
18 favor with, "Aye".)

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
20 opposed?

21 (Whereupon, no verbal  
22 response.)

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
24 Carries unanimously. Thank you very much.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
3 Item 1. A hearing on a proposed local  
4 law. It's a Local Law to Create an  
5 Operating Reserve Fund.

6 Moved by Legislator Abrahams,  
7 seconded by Legislator Giangregorio. That  
8 is a motion to open a hearing.

9 All in favor of opening a hearing  
10 signify by saying, "Aye".

11 (Whereupon, all members of  
12 the Full Legislature respond in  
13 favor with, "Aye".)

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
15 opposed?

16 (Whereupon, no verbal  
17 response.)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Passes  
19 unanimously. The hearing is open.

20 MR. PERSICH: Good afternoon. Andy  
21 Persich, Office of Management and Budget.  
22 This is an item that we've proposed when  
23 we did the year-end close. This is just  
24 correcting the errors that we made in the  
25 original Item, and this is just

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2 establishing a general reserve that we  
3 coordinated through the Comptroller's  
4 Office with our Bond Counsel and through  
5 the County Attorney's Office. And we're  
6 going to be moving some of the surplus  
7 dollars into this reserve for labor, for  
8 health insurance, for other insurance  
9 reserve and a couple other things. So  
10 it's approximately \$55 Million that will  
11 be going in there.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It  
13 gives the County more flexibility in  
14 terms of those monies as opposed to  
15 whether we just let it fall into a one of  
16 the other buckets, so to speak.

17 MR. PERSICH: What it does, it could  
18 fall into fund balance, but this makes it  
19 a little bit more restrictive so we know  
20 where the money's being directed. So this  
21 is, I would say, a better process instead  
22 of just dropping it into fund balances,  
23 going into a into a reserve.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
25 Any questions for Andy?

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2                   Legislator DeRigg-Whitton.

3                   LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Hi,  
4                   Andy. Just procedure wise, should you  
5                   come to a point where you need some of  
6                   that money to pay for insurance, does  
7                   that come to the Legislature as a budget  
8                   transfer?

9                   MR. PERSICH: It will come as a  
10                  supplemental appropriation. I would have  
11                  to come to you and say, I want to take  
12                  the money out of the reserve and use it  
13                  and have to appropriate it that way. I  
14                  would have to come before this Body and  
15                  ask you permission to spend the money on  
16                  certain things.

17                  LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Thank  
18                  you.

19                  MR. PERSICH: Yeah.

20                  PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
21                  you. Any other questions?

22                  (Whereupon, no verbal  
23                  response.)

24                  PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Motion  
25                  to close the hearing, Legislator Walker,

seconded by Legislator Schaefer.

All in favor of closing the hearing,  
signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all member of  
the Full Legislature respond in  
favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: The  
hearing is closed.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We go  
3 to Item 3. A local law to create an  
4 operating reserve fund. Moved by  
5 Legislator Giangregorio, seconded by  
6 Legislator Abrahams.

7 Any further debate or discussion  
8 among the legislators?

9 (Whereupon, no verbal  
10 response.)

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
12 neglected to call public comment before  
13 the hearing, so I'm going to call it now.  
14 Any public comment?

15 (Whereupon, no verbal  
16 response.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
18 Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
19 saying, "Aye".

20 (Whereupon, all member of  
21 the Full Legislature respond in  
22 favor with, "Aye".)

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
24 opposed?

25 (Whereupon, no verbal

response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Carries unanimously.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We're  
3 moving on to Item 19. Legislator McKevitt  
4 will be recusing himself.

5 (Whereupon, Legislator  
6 McKevitt leaves the Chambers.)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: He is  
8 leaving the Chambers, not participating  
9 in any debate or vote on this item.

10 Resolution 123, a Resolution  
11 authorizing the County Attorney to  
12 compromise and settle the claims of  
13 plaintiff as set forth in the action  
14 entitled SRL Realty, LLC versus County of  
15 Nassau.

16 Moved by Legislator Lafazan,  
17 seconded by Legislator Giuffre. Any  
18 debate or discussion?

19 (Whereupon, no verbal  
20 response.)

21 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
22 public comment?

23 (Whereupon, no verbal  
24 response.)

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All in

favor, signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all member of  
the Full Legislature **present**  
respond in favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Passes  
by a vote of 18-0.

Invite Legislator McKevitt back in.

(Whereupon, Legislator  
McKevitt returns to Chambers.)

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2                   PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
3 one is 26. This one Legislator  
4 Giangregorio, is going to be recusing  
5 himself. Again, he will be leaving he  
6 Chamber and will not be participating in  
7 the debate or vote.

8                   (Whereupon, Legislator  
9 Giangregorio leaves the  
10 Chambers.)

11                  PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Resolution 130, a Resolution authorizing  
13 the County Executive to execute a grant  
14 agreement between the County of Nassau,  
15 acting on behalf of the Parks Department  
16 and Mid-Island Y Jewish Community Center.

17                  Moved by Legislator Drucker,  
18 seconded by Legislator Kennedy.

19                  You look like you want to come up to  
20 speak about this. Go ahead.

21                  COMMISSIONER BELYEA: I wasn't sure  
22 if there was more I needed to present.

23                  PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: No, I  
24 think it was just a matter of the  
25 legislator recusing.

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2 COMMISSIONER BELYEA: Sorry. Thank  
3 you.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
5 Any debate or discussion?

6 (Whereupon, no verbal  
7 response.)

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
9 Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
10 saying, "Aye".

11 (Whereupon, all member of  
12 the Full Legislature **present**  
13 respond in favor with, "Aye".)

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
15 opposed?

16 (Whereupon, no verbal  
17 response.)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19 Carries unanimously. Again, it's a vote  
20 of 18-0. Invite Michael back in.

21 (Whereupon, Legislator  
22 Giangregorio returns to  
23 Chambers.)

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Item  
3 29, Legislator Bynoe is going to be  
4 recusing herself.

5 (Whereupon, Legislator Bynoe  
6 leaves the Chambers.)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
8 Resolution 133. Legislator Bynoe has left  
9 the Chambers and will not be  
10 participating in any debate or vote.

11 This is a resolution authorizing the  
12 county executive to execute an  
13 intermunicipal agreement with the City of  
14 Long Beach in relation to the purchase of  
15 a Zamboni.

16 Legislator Ford moves, seconded by  
17 Legislator Gaylor. Any debate or  
18 discussion?

19 (Whereupon, no verbal  
20 response.)

21 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
22 Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
23 saying, "Aye".

24 (Whereupon, all member of  
25 the Full Legislature **present**

respond in favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Carries unanimously by a vote of 18-0.  
Again, ask Legislator Bynoe to come back  
in.

(Whereupon, Legislator Bynoe  
returns to Chambers.)

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2                   PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We  
3                   have two emergencies. I'll call the  
4                   emergencies. They are 210 and 211 of '23.  
5                   These are Resolutions authorizing the  
6                   County Executive to execute grant  
7                   agreements between the County acting on  
8                   behalf of the Parks Department and both  
9                   the Levittown Public Library and the Long  
10                  Island Arts Council at Freeport.

11                 So we need a motion to establish the  
12                 emergency move by Legislator Mulé,  
13                 seconded by Legislator Ferretti. All in  
14                 favor of establishing the emergency.  
15                 Signify by saying, "Aye".

16                 (Whereupon, all members of  
17                 the Full Legislature respond in  
18                 favor with, "Aye".)

19                 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: The  
20                 emergency is established. Now, I'll call  
21                 the items: 210 and 211. These are  
22                 Resolutions authorizing the County  
23                 Executive to execute grant agreements  
24                 between the County and the Levittown  
25                 Public Library and Long Island Arts

Council at Freeport.

Motion by Legislator Ferretti,  
seconded by Legislator Mule.

Any further debate or discussion?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing none. All in favor, signify by  
saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all member of  
the Full Legislature respond in  
favor with, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Carries unanimously.

We need a motion to adjourn the  
Legislature. Legislator Giuffre makes  
that motion, seconded by Legislator  
Solages makes the second.

All in favor of adjourning, signify  
by saying, "Aye".



(Whereupon, all members of the Full  
Legislature respond in favor with,  
"Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We are  
adjourned.

(Whereupon, Full Legislature is  
adjourned, 4:18 p.m.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF NEW YORK )

: SS.:

County of Nassau )

I, KAREN LORENZO, a Notary Public  
for and within the State of New York, do  
hereby certify:

That the above is a correct  
transcription of my stenographic notes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
set my hand this 26th day of June, 2023.

Karen Lorenzo

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