

**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY  
LEGISLATOR MILLER-WILLIAMS**

**Re: Studying the possibility of partnering with a local Federally Qualified Health Center for the purpose of lowering the cost of prescription medications for inmates at the Erie County Correctional Facilities**

WHEREAS, Erie County is responsible for the medical care of all inmates who enter the Erie County Correctional Facility and Holding Center including the cost of prescription medication for those inmates; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Erie County spent \$1,134,211 for the cost of the prescription medications; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government offers a rebate program for Federally Qualified Health Centers that can refund the cost of up to 50% on prescription medications for their patients under the 340B program; and

WHEREAS, other Counties in New York State and other States around the Country have found significant cost savings by associating with a Federally Qualified Health Center to receive access to the 340B discounted medications; and

WHEREAS, any potential cost savings with regards to the health care of inmates at any of the Erie County Correctional Facilities should be studied and considered seriously and expeditiously.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature asks the Erie County Health Commissioner and the Erie County Sheriff to come before this Honorable Body to discuss the possibility of having Erie County partner with a Federally Qualified Health Center for the purpose of receiving discounted prescriptions for inmates through the 340B program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be given to Erie County Health Commissioner Dr. Anthony Billitier, County Executive Chris Collins and Erie County Sheriff Timothy Howard.

FISCAL IMPACT: Positive for the Taxpayers of Erie County