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The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – Capital Improvements to ECSO Training Facility & Range  
**Immediate Consideration Requested**

Honorable Members:

Attached please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum from the Erie County Sheriff's Office requesting authorization to allow the County Executive to enter into any agreement necessary with the Department of Justice to allow for certain capital improvements to the Erie County Training Facility and Range in Alden.

I kindly request the Erie County Legislature consider and approval at the July 24, 2014 meeting of your Honorable Body. Representatives of the Sheriff's Office will be available to answer any questions.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY B. HOWARD  
SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

Attachments

## ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

RE: Erie County Sheriff's Office  
Capital Improvements ECSO Training Facility and Range

### I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization to allow the County of Erie to enter into any necessary agreements with the United States Department of Justice to make certain capital improvements to the Erie County Sheriff's Office Training Facility and Range and to accept any donations thereof. The Training Facility and Range is used to train and qualify Deputies throughout the office. The facility is also utilized by Special Services Deputies to maintain a high level of training and qualification for accreditation purposes.

In addition to Sheriff training, the facility will host other law enforcement agencies for training and qualifying purposes.

### II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

No impact on County Tax Dollars. Funds will provide for all expenses needed to support this program.

### III. Reasons for Recommendation

There are many upgrades and repairs needed to meet training standards and to accommodate multiple agencies for coordinated training purposes.

### IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The County will forfeit millions of dollars in funding that will provide needed upgrades and repairs to the ECSO Training Facility and Range. Without the certain capital improvements, ECSO will be unable to maintain the high standards of training and qualifying necessary for accreditation.

### V. Steps Following Approval of Measure

Certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, the Erie County Comptroller's Office, the County Attorney and the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

## **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office  
Capital Improvements to ECSO Training Facility

WHEREAS, The Erie County Sheriff's Office Training Facility and Range is in need of upgrades and repairs, and

WHEREAS, the ECSO Training Facility and Range is utilized to train and qualify Deputies of the Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, budget constraints have limited the ability of the Sheriff's Office to make the necessary upgrades and repairs to the facility, and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice has funding to make necessary capital improvements to the training facility; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into any agreement that may be necessary with the United States Department of Justice to allow for certain capital improvements to the Erie County Training Facility and Range; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County of Erie and the Erie County Sheriff's Office, pursuant to the Erie County Charter, are authorized to accept improvements to the Erie County Sheriff's Office Training Facility and Range from the Department of Justice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, the County Attorney and the Office of the Sheriff.