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December 11, 2014

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

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – School Resource Officer  
**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 Gowanda Central School District for a School Resource Officer.

I kindly request the Erie County Legislature's consideration and approval at the December 18, 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  
SRO agreement with the Gowanda Central School District

I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization to allow the County of Erie to enter into any necessary agreements with the Gowanda Central School District for a School Resource Officer. This agreement will be effective From January 5, 2015 to the end of the 2014/2015 school year as well as a similar agreement for the 2015/2016 school year. The SRO within the Gowanda Central School District will promote a safe environment and increase security for school buildings and grounds.

II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

No impact on County tax dollars.

III. Reasons for Recommendation

Erie County and Gowanda Central School District need to enter into a contract for School Resource Officer services.

IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The Gowanda Central School District and the County of Erie would be unable to enter into the necessary agreement for a School Resource Officer.

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  
Gowanda Central School District School Resource Officer**

**WHEREAS, School Resource Officers provide school districts with a law enforcement presence for student protection, mentoring and community policing, and**

**WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office provides law enforcement services for the Village of Gowanda and Deputies are familiar with the school district and the local leaders, and**

**WHEREAS, the Sheriff's office has entered into a similar agreement with the Iroquois, Holland and Springville school districts through the BOCES administration.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the Gowanda Central School District for a School Resource Officer, and be it further**

**RESOLVED, this agreement will be effective January 5, 2015 through the end of the 2014/2015 school year, and be it further**

**RESOLVED, this resolution authorizes the County Executive to enter an additional agreement to commence on the first day of classes for the 2015/2016 school session with this agreement ending on the last day of classes in 2016, 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.**