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December 12, 2014

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

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – Authorization to change positions for the Human Traffic Grant

**Immediate Consideration Requested** 

Honorable Members:

Attached please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum from the Erie County Sheriff's Office requesting authorization to change positions for the Human Traffic Grant. The current Deputy assigned to the Human Traffic position has retired and the Sheriff's Office is assigning a Deputy Sheriff – Criminal to head the unit.

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

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Attachments

#### ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

RE: Erie County Sheriff's Office Human Trafficking position change

## I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization to change the current Human Trafficking Grant position due to a recent retirement.

# II. <u>Fiscal Implications of Proposal</u>

None, funds are available for the program through the Human Trafficking Grant.

## III. Reasons for Recommendation

Deputy Fildes has retired from the Erie County Sheriff's Office and to fulfill grant requirements the Sheriff's Office is assigning a new Deputy to the Human Trafficking unit. Because the duties of the Human Trafficking Deputy have grown and evolved into one that requires more investigative skills, the Sheriff's Office is assigning a Criminal Deputy.

## IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The Erie County Sheriff's Office would be unable to fulfill the obligations of the Human Trafficking Grant and could face loss of funding.

## V. <u>Steps Following Approval of Measure</u>

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

#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office

Authorization to change positions for the Human Trafficking Unit

WHEREAS, Deputy Elizabeth Fildes retired from service from the Erie County Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office is required to assign a new Deputy to the Human Trafficking Unit, and

WHEREAS, the duties of the Human Trafficking Deputy have evolved into a position where more investigative skills are necessary to fulfill the growing needs of the position, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to delete the position of Deputy Sheriff – Officer Spanish Speaking (position 51011892) and create one position, Deputy Sheriff-Criminal (B-100#8066) in the Human Trafficking Grant, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Budget Office and the Erie County Sheriff's Office are authorized to make the necessary budget adjustments,

And be it further

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