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The Honorable
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – NYS Canal Corporation Marine Patrol grant

Honorable Members:

Attached please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement to accept a grant and receive funding from the New York State Canal Corporation for a maximum of \$ 40,000.00. Funding will be utilized by the Erie County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit for navigation law enforcement, waterway safety and boater education on and around the Erie Barge Canal.

Representatives of the sheriff office will be available at the next meeting to answer any questions.

Very truly yours,



TIMOTHY B. HOWARD
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Attachments

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ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

RE: Erie County Sheriff's Office – NYS Canal Corporation Marine Patrol grant

I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement and receive funding up to a maximum of \$40,000.00 from the New York State Canal Corporation. Funding will be utilized by the Erie County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit for navigation law enforcement, waterway safety and boater education on and around the Erie Barge Canal.

II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

Positive impact on County Tax Dollars.

III. Reasons for Recommendation

The Erie County Sheriff's Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling parts of Lake Erie, Niagara River, the Erie Barge Canal and other waterways along the over 90 miles of Erie County shoreline. The marine unit is instrumental in maintaining safe waterways by enforcing navigation laws and educating the boating public and this grant will provide the sheriff's office with additional resources to patrol along the Erie Barge Canal.

IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The County will forfeit up to \$ 40,000.00 in funding that will support the Erie County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit's mission to increase the safety on area waterways.

V. Steps Following Approval of Measure

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

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Re: RE: Erie County Sheriff's Office – NYS Canal Corporation Marine Patrol grant

WHEREAS, the New York State Canal Corporation has selected the Erie County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit to received up to \$ 40,000.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, this grant is a matching grant and will require review and approval by the Canal Corporation, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Office of the State Comptroller for all submitted requisitions; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling parts of Lake Erie, Niagara River, the Erie Barge Canal and other waterways along the over 90 miles of Erie County shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the marine unit is instrumental in maintaining safe waterways by enforcing navigation laws and educating the boating public; and

WHEREAS, this grant will provide the Erie County Sheriff's Office with additional resources to increase patrols along the Erie Barge Canal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into contract with the New York State Canal Corporation to accept funding up to \$ 40,000.00 for increased marine patrols on and around the waterways of the Erie Barge Canal; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is herby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with State and Federal approved funding levels: and be it further

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