

June 13, 2002

PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 6

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. RESOLVED, that the following item is hereby received and filed.

	Item	Page	-2002	(Comm. 11E-1)
a.	<b>SCHROEDER:</b> Copy of Letter to Legislator Larson Re: Buffalo's Current Financial Situation Intro. 10-9.			
		(5-0)		

2. RESOLVED, that the following item is hereby received and referred to the Finance & Management Committee.

	Item	Page	-2002	(Intro. 10-9)
a.	<b>SCHROEDER, FISHER, DALE, PEOPLES, HOLT, KUWIK, SWANICK &amp; DUSZA:</b> County Assistance to Preserve Public Safety in the City of Buffalo.			
		(5-0)		

	Item	Page	-2002	<b>AS AMENDED</b> (Intro. 10-8)
3.	<b>CHASE &amp; CUSACK</b>			

**WHEREAS**, sudden cardiac arrest claims the lives of 350,000 individuals each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Heart Association estimates that 100,000 of these lives could be saved through the use of an AED; and

**WHEREAS**, AEDs stop ventricular fibrillation, a leading cause of sudden cardiac arrest, by applying an electrical pulse to the heart, allowing a normal heart rhythm to resume; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of an AED is highly successful if used within the first minutes following a sudden cardiac arrest; and

**WHEREAS**, the success rate for resuscitation decreases by 10 percent each minute following the onset of sudden cardiac arrest; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Legislature recognized the efficacy of having an AED accessible and has passed legislation (A.10577/S.6851) requiring school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, county vocational education and extension boards and charter schools to provide a functional AED on site at school and at off site locations during school sponsored athletic contests;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature commends Governor Pataki for signing this important legislation to protect children attending public schools;

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature offers its assistance in coordinating with school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, county vocational education and extension boards and charter schools in acquiring an AED;

**RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Pataki, County Executive Joel Giambra, Budget Director Joseph Passafiume, Purchasing Director Joseph Martin, and the school districts, board of cooperative educational services, county vocational education and extension boards and charter schools in Erie County.

**Fiscal Impact:** None for the Resolution  
(5-0)

4. Item Page -2002 (Comm. 12E-14)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, a communications trailer is being donated by the Erie County Amateur Radio Emergency Services/Radio Amateur Communications Emergency Services (ARES/RACES) to the County of Erie, and

WHEREAS, the trailer will be utilized as a back up communications system during training and emergencies,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, on behalf of the Erie County Department of Emergency Services, is hereby authorized to accept the donation of this communications trailer at no cost to the County of Erie from the Erie County ARES/RACES Organization, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Law and the Department of Emergency Services.

(5-0)

**JEANNE Z. CHASE**  
**CHAIRPERSON**