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August 30, 2011

To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: George N. Longworth
Commissioner - Sheriff

Re: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Coast Guard regarding the enforcement of Maritime Safety and Security Zones.

The United States Coast Guard (“USCG”) provides, among other things, search and rescue services. The USCG will work together to enhance the safety and security of waters within their respective jurisdictions through the cooperative enforcement of maritime Safety and Security Zones that are created by the USCG under the authority of the Magnuson Act.

Pursuant to the proposed Memorandum of Understanding the agreement will begin upon execution and remain in effect for two years after the effective date. Either party may terminate upon 30 days written notice. There is no cost to the County.

The goals and objectives of this program will further the purposes of an established USCG Safety or Security Zone in conjunction with Westchester County’s jurisdiction. It is of note that Security Zones, as defined in 33 C.F.R §6.01-5, are utilized for national security interests rather than strictly for safety considerations. This program will promote national security and public safety by providing effective maritime enforcement of Safety and Security Zones within Westchester County and outlying areas.

The goals and objectives of this program will be tracked and monitored by reviewing the program on an ongoing basis for the duration of the contract. The Commanding Officer of the Special Operations Division will conduct reviews during which feedback is gathered regarding the effectiveness of the program. This information will be reported to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

Approval of the attached resolution by your Honorable Board is requested.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner - Sheriff of Public Safety, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Coast Guard regarding the enforcement of Maritime Safety and Security Zones for a term of two years, at no cost to the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the agreement will commence upon execution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute all instruments and take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/credited
N/A

Fund	Agency	Capital Project Or Org	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Activity	Dollars
						N/A

Budget Funding Year(s) _____ N/A _____ Start Date: Upon execution End Date: Two years from execution date
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____ N/A _____
 State Aid _____
 Federal Aid _____
 Other _____