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TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Robin Schlaff
Director, Office for Women

DATE: May 12, 2014

SUBJECT: Amending a resolution approved on March 20, 2014, which, among other things, authorized the County to amend its grant-funded agreement with My Sisters' Place, Inc. in order to extend its termination date by six (6) months, from March 31, 2014 to September 30, 2014.

By a resolution approved on March 20, 2014 (the "March 20th Resolution"), your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the "County") to, among other things, amend its agreement with My Sisters' Place, Inc. ("MSP"), pursuant to which MSP was to assist in conducting a community needs assessment, including 'system mapping' for Westchester, and provide ongoing coordination (the "Work"), for an amount not-to-exceed \$20,997.00, for a term April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014, (the "MSP Agreement") in order to extend its termination date by six (6) months, from March 31, 2014 to September 30, 2014.

The MSP Agreement has been funded by a portion of a grant awarded to the County by the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, (the "DOJ") under its Domestic Violence Homicide Reduction Demonstration Initiative (the "Grant"). After a recent site visit from the DOJ to evaluate all Grant-funded work performed thus far, it was determined that MSP will need to dedicate more staff time during the extension of the term (i.e., April 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014) than initially expected in order to complete the Work. In order to make possible the payment to MSP of additional Grant funds to pay for this additional staff time, the County was willing to re-allocate \$3,000.00 of the Grant funds from County operating expenses to the MSP Agreement. This re-allocation has been approved by DOJ.

Accordingly, the County respectfully requests that your Honorable Board amend the March 20th Resolution by inserting an additional 'RESOLVED' clause that will authorize the County to also amend the MSP Agreement by increasing the amount not-to-exceed authorized thereunder by \$3,000.00, from an amount not-to-exceed \$20,997.00 to a new amount not-to-exceed \$23,997.00 (the "Amendment").

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the March 20th

Resolution shall remain the same.

The proposed Amendment will serve a public purpose by providing the additional grant funds that are needed to facilitate MSP's completion of the Work.

The goal and objective of the proposed Amendment is to provide the additional grant funds that are needed to facilitate MSP's completion of the Work.

The goal and objective of the proposed Amendment is in the best interests of the County in terms of the public health, safety and general welfare, as the Work for which MSP will be receiving additional grant funds is intended to help enhance the safety of victims of abuse and, ultimately, reduce the number of domestic-violence-related homicides in Westchester County.

The goal and objective of the proposed Amendment will be tracked and monitored by the Office for Women.

The procurement of the proposed amendments is exempt from the requirements of the County's Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)(xi) thereof, which exempts "any procurement made pursuant to procurement procedures provided for under any other federal or state law applicable to such procurement," as the County complied with the procedures specified by DOJ for the Grant.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

RS/SED/BDM/nh

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT 06/11/2014 JIMMAY WEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Director of the Office for Women, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the resolution approved on March 20, 2014 (the "March 20th Resolution"), which authorized the County of Westchester (the "County") to, among other things, amend its agreement with My Sisters' Place, Inc. ("MSP"), pursuant to which MSP was to assist in conducting a community needs assessment, including 'system mapping' for Westchester, and provide ongoing coordination, for an amount not-to-exceed \$20,997.00, for a term April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014, (the "MSP Agreement") in order to extend its termination date by six (6) months, from March 31, 2014 to September 30, 2014, is hereby amended by inserting the following 'RESOLVED' clause in between the existing first and second 'RESOLVED' clauses:

"RESOLVED, that the County is also hereby authorized to amend the MSP Agreement by increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized thereunder by Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000), from an amount not-to-exceed Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$20,997) to a new amount not-to-exceed Twenty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$23,997); and be it further"

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RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the March 20th Resolution shall remain the same; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be charged/credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase, Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Dollars	Funding Year(s)
263	11	494N	4380	\$3,000	2014

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 4/1/2014

End Date: 9/30/2014

\$3,000
(must match resolution)

Funding Source:

Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
 Federal Aid \$3,000
 Other _____