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DATE: August 17, 2020

TO: Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: George Latimer
County Executive

RE: Resolution to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi thereof, the procurement of an agreement between The County of Westchester ("County") and Precise Translations, LLC ("PT") pursuant to which PT will provide language interpretation services for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$35,000.

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the application of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement between the County and PT, pursuant to which PT will provide language interpretation services for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$35,000.

Ordinarily, under Section 5 of the Procurement Policy, the County is required to solicit written or oral quotations from no fewer than three persons customarily providing such services. However, PT has 10+ years of experience providing quick, efficient, and culturally accurate services, and it is the only agency with the capacity and expertise to provide translation in all languages required by the County.

Pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi, the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures are not applicable to any procurement for which this Honorable Board determines, by resolution passed prior to commencing such procurement, that compliance with the policy would not be in the best interests of the County. For the reasons set forth above, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by exempting the procurement of an Agreement with PT from the County Procurement Policy.

Accordingly, I recommend and urge your Honorable Board's approval of the annexed Resolution.

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the County Executive, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, it is hereby determined that application of the procedural requirements contained therein, including the necessity of soliciting proposals, is neither cost effective nor expedient, and accordingly, not in the best interests of the County of Westchester ("County") in connection with the procurement of an agreement between the County and Precise Translations, LLC ("PT") pursuant to which PT will provide language interpretation services for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for a total amount not to exceed \$35,000.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 03/03/2020 LISA MARIJA SECRETARY