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TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Douglas A. Colety & Reginald A. LaFayette
Commissioners of the Board of Elections

DATE: March 16, 2011

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to amend a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept funding to educate voters and train poll workers, in order to extend the term of the agreement

Pursuant to a Resolution approved by your Honorable Board on January 18, 2007, the County of Westchester entered into a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept Voter Education/Poll Worker Training Funding in the amount of \$530,111 payable on a reimbursement basis, for the term commencing on April 1, 2006 and terminating on March 31, 2008, with the State's option to extend the contract for one additional year.

On June 12, 2008, your Honorable Board authorized a one-year extension to the agreement for the period April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009. On April 6, 2009 your Honorable Board authorized a second one-year extension to the agreement for the period April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010. On February 18, 2010 your Honorable Board authorized a third one-year extension to the agreement for the period April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011. All three extensions were subsequently executed.

The State and the County now wish to further extend the term of the agreement for the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 so that unexpended grant funds may be utilized. All other terms and conditions of the agreement will remain unchanged.

The public purpose of this amendment is to implement programs to educate voters and poll workers on the new voting systems, including the ballot marking devices for voters with disabilities. Utilizing grant funding will alleviate the need for the use of County tax dollars for this purpose.

In order to take advantage of these grant funds your approval of the annexed proposed resolution is requested.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/19/2011 - JOMARY VIEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioners of the Board of Elections, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is authorized to amend a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept Voter Education/Poll Worker Training funding to educate individuals and poll workers on the proper use of new voting systems, in the amount of \$530,111 payable on a reimbursement basis, in order to extend the term of the agreement for an additional one-year term, from April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 so that unexpended grant funds may be utilized; and be it further

RESOLVED, all other terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	N/A					

Budget Funding Year(s) _____ Start Date 04/01/2011 End Date 03/31/2012
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
 \$530,111 Federal Aid _____
 (must match resolution) Other _____