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Date: February 24, 2015

To: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Robert P. Astorino  
County Executive

Re: Resolution to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi thereof, an agreement with Dark Tech Effects, pursuant to which Dark Tech Effects LLC would assist the County with multi- media production, assembling of content, editing and live events.

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Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures an agreement between the County of Westchester (the "County") and Dark Tech Effects LLC pursuant to which Dark Tech Effects LLC will assist the County with multi-media production, assembling of content, editing, set up of equipment, striking, projection, power point and stage managing of live events, which shall include but not be limited to the following productions: Trailblazers, State of the County, Police Seminar with Office for Women, Parks Gala, Summer Parks Events and the Rising Event. The agreement would be for the period February 23, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$7,000.

Dark Tech Effects is owned and operated by William Rodriguez who is a former employee of the County and has specific experience and expertise in providing these services for the past 7 years and has worked at these specific venues. As a result of his past experience, Mr. Rodriguez understands the needs of each project in addition to the specific equipment needed and the setup required. There is only one County employee currently handling these multi-media functions and that employee requires assistance with the production of these live events. Contracting with Dark Tech Effects is more economical than hiring more staff and the training required to educate another vendor would negatively affect the outcome.

Based upon the foregoing, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by exempting this agreement from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof. Therefore, a resolution to exempt this procurement is hereby submitted for your consideration.

RA/do/eo

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## **RESOLUTION**

Upon a communication from Robert P. Astorino, 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 (the "County") in connection with the procurement of an agreement with Dark Tech Effects LLC, pursuant to which Dark Tech Effects LLC will assist the County with multi-media production, assembling of content, editing, setup of equipment, striking, projection, power point and stage managing of live events, which shall include but not be limited to the following productions: Trailblazers, State of the County, Police Seminar with Office for Women, Parks Gala, Summer Parks Events and the Rising Event, for the period February 23, 2015 through December 31, 2015 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$7,000.