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DATE: April 25, 2017

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin McGuire
Commissioner, Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with T.C. Investigations, LLC to conduct field investigations and searches to locate children in foster care placement that have been declared AWOL by the Westchester County Department of Social Services for the period from June 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$57,500 to be paid at a rate of \$75/hour for the service the consultant provides subject to appropriation

The attached Resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with T.C. Investigations, LLC to conduct field investigations and searches to locate children in foster care placement that have been declared AWOL by the Westchester County Department of Social Services for the period from June 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$57,500 to be paid at a rate of \$75/hour for the service the consultant provides subject to appropriation.

The **public purpose of the proposed agreement** is returning youth to foster care.

The **goals and objectives of this program** are to return AWOL youth to foster care placement and work with them to assure appropriate future permanent discharge.

The **goals and objectives are in the best interest of the County** in terms of public health and public safety because returning youth to foster care will shelter them from delinquency, neglect and abuse.

The **goals and objectives are in the County's best interests in terms of fiscal responsibility** as the services provided by this program focus on assisting foster care youth to become independent and self-sufficient.

The **goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored** using performance measurement indicators developed by the Department. The consultant is required to submit to the Department quarterly statistical reports on all activities related to the program.

This contract is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy under Section 3(a)(xviii) which exempts any procurement for the creation and support of recreation projects, youth service projects and other appropriate programs and services for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime and the advancement of the moral, physical mental and social wellbeing of the youth of Westchester County

The federal funds that will be used to pay for this agreement are provided to the County under the federal Social Service Block Grant. Accordingly, this procurement is exempt from the competitive procurement requirements of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (formerly, the Grants Management Common Rule).

An appropriate resolution requesting your Honorable Board's approval to enter into the above stated agreement is attached herewith.

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