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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Ann Marie Berg
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SUBJECT: Authority to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement with Montefiore Health System, Inc., pursuant to which it will consent to the handling of claims for services for the County's employees and retirees, and their covered spouses and dependents, as 'in-network'.

Authority is requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement by the County of Westchester (the "County") of an agreement with Montefiore Health System, Inc. ("Montefiore"), pursuant to which Montefiore will consent to the handling of claims for services ("Claims") provided by Montefiore and its affiliated healthcare providers ("Montefiore Providers"), for Claims that are covered by the 'Summary Plan Description' of the County's self-funded health benefits plan, for the County's eligible employees and retirees, and their covered spouses and dependents, ("Covered County Persons") as 'in-network', and therefore not balance bill Covered County Persons for any 'network'-covered Claims (the "Agreement").

After December 31, 2020, Montefiore Providers were no longer 'in-network' for the County. However, many Covered County Persons continued to utilize Montefiore Providers as 'out of network'. To ensure Covered County Persons receive care from Montefiore Providers as 'in-network', the County negotiated an agreement with Montefiore to have Montefiore Providers provide services as 'in-network'.

Therefore, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by

exempting the procurement of the proposed Agreement from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof. Accordingly, a resolution to exempt this procurement is hereby submitted for your consideration.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Finance, 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 in connection with the procurement of an agreement with Montefiore Health System, Inc. (“Montefiore”), pursuant to which Montefiore will consent to the handling of claims for services (“Claims”) provided by Montefiore and its affiliated healthcare providers, for Claims that are covered by the ‘Summary Plan Description’ of the County’s self-funded health benefits plan, for the County’s eligible employees and retirees, and their covered spouses and dependents, as ‘in-network’, and therefore not balance bill Covered County Persons for any ‘network’-covered Claims.

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JOHN G. SCARDI, SECRETARY