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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

NORMA GONSALVES,
Presiding Officer

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

ROSE MARIE WALKER,
Chairwoman

1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, New York

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A P P E A R A N C E S :

ROSE MARIE WALKER ,
Chairwoman

FRANCIS X. BECKER ,
Vice Chairman

VINCENT MUSCARELLA

MICHAEL VENDITTO

JUDI BOSWORTH ,
Ranking

DELIA DeRIGGI-WHITTON

ROBERT TROIANO

WILLIAM J. MULLER, III
Clerk of the Legislature

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LIST OF SPEAKERS

LISA MURPHY, Nassau County
 Commissioner, Department of
 Human Services.....5

MARYELLEN LORRAINE, Nassau County
 Department of Health.....8

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2 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: At this time
3 I'll call the Health and Social Services
4 Committee to order. I would ask the clerk
5 to please take the roll.

6 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
7 Troiano?

8 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Here.

9 CLERK MULLER: Legislator DeRiggi
10 Whitton?

11 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI WHITTON:
12 Here.

13 CLERK MULLER: Ranking Member
14 Bosworth?

15 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Here.

16 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
17 Venditto?

18 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Here.

19 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
20 Muscarella?

21 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

22 CLERK MULLER: Vice Chairman
23 Becker?

24 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Present.

25 CLERK MULLER: Chairwoman Walker?

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2 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Here.

3 CLERK MULLER: We have a quorum.

4 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Thank you.

5 There are three items on the agenda today.

6 The first is Clerk Item 258-13 which is an

7 ordinance supplemental to the annual

8 appropriation ordinance in connection with

9 the Department of Human Services.

10 Do I have a motion, please?

11 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

12 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Second.

13 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Moved by

14 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by

15 Legislator Becker. The item is before us.

16 MR. MAY: We have Commissioner

17 Lisa Murphy from the Department of Human

18 Services.

19 COMMISSIONER MURPHY: This is an

20 item which is a supplemental appropriation

21 of \$1,924,892. These are additional funds

22 that are coming to the county for our

23 chemical dependency programs. They are

24 being made from the New York State

25 Department of OSAAS, Office of Substance and

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2 Alcohol Abuse Services. This is 100 percent
3 grant money.

4 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions
5 from the legislators?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 Any public comment?

8 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
9 Bosworth.

10 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Actually I
11 had a number of questions. We know the
12 outstanding job that OSAAS does. My
13 question is, how much of this funding is
14 going to go for heroin abuse given this
15 weeks Newsday story on heroin abuse on the
16 island?

17 COMMISSIONER MURPHY: These
18 particular funds are not going to heroin
19 abuse, per se, but are actually going to
20 increase the record capacity and reporting
21 capacity of all of our agencies as now New
22 York State is changing the way in which they
23 operate and everything is going towards the
24 electronic medical records, so this will
25 help all of our provider agencies in order

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2 to purchase the equipment necessary to do
3 that.

4 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Thank you.
5 I know that's a huge undertaking, so it's
6 good that they have the funds.

7 The other thing is, are we making
8 progress with restoring the funding for the
9 contracts for chemical dependency? I know
10 that was voted on at the last meeting.

11 COMMISSIONER MURPHY: Yes, and
12 all the amendments have gone out to those
13 contracts, so that all the contracts in our
14 chemical dependency network are now at prior
15 year's level.

16 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: And the
17 agencies have been notified?

18 COMMISSIONER MURPHY: Yes, they
19 have.

20 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Wonderful.
21 Thank you.

22 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any other
23 legislators?

24 (No verbal response.)

25 Any public comment?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 All those in favor signify by
4 saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 Any opposed?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 The motion carries unanimously.

9 The second item is Clerk Item
10 259-13 which is an ordinance supplemental to
11 the annual appropriation ordinance in
12 connection with the Health Department.

13 Can I have a motion, please?

14 LEGISLATOR BECKER: So moved.

15 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

16 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Moved by
17 Legislator Becker, seconded by Legislator
18 Venditto. The item is before us. Mr. May.

19 MR. MAY: We have Ms. MaryEllen
20 Lorraine from the Health Department.

21 MS. LORRAINE: Good afternoon.
22 MaryEllen Lorraine, Department of Health.
23 Item 259-13 is a supplemental appropriation
24 in the amount of \$642,196. This is for the
25 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant.

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2 It is 100 percent funded through the New
3 York State Department of Health and provides
4 the Department of Health with infrastructure
5 building in regard to emergency
6 preparedness.

7 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions
8 or comments from the legislators?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 Any public comment?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 All those in favor signify by
13 saying aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 Any opposed?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 The item passes seven to zero.

18 The last clerk item is Clerk Item 260-13
19 which is an ordinance supplemental to the
20 annual appropriation ordinance in connection
21 with the Department of Health.

22 A motion, please.

23 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

24 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

25 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Moved by

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2 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by
3 Legislator Venditto. The item is before us.

4 MS. LORRAINE: Item 260-13 is a
5 supplemental appropriation in the amount of
6 \$300,000. It's for the Immunization Action
7 Program. It's 100 percent funded through
8 the New York State Department of Health and
9 the services provide the public with
10 protection from vaccine preventable disease.

11 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions
12 from the legislators?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 Any public comment?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 All those in favor signify by
17 saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 Any opposed?

20 (No verbal response.)

21 The item passes seven to zero.
22 That is our last item. Motion to adjourn.

23 LEGISLATOR BECKER: So moved.

24 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

25 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Motion by

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2 Legislator Becker, seconded by Legislator
3 Muscarella. All those in favor signify by
4 saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 Any opposed?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 We are adjourned. Thank you.

9 (Whereupon, the Health Committee
10 adjourned at 2:44 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby stated:

THAT I attended at the time and place above mentioned and took stenographic record of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter;

THAT the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate transcript of the same and the whole thereof, according to the best of my ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of July, 2013.

FRANK GRAY