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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

NORMA GONSALVES,
Presiding Officer

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DENNIS DUNNE, Chairman

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

DENNIS DUNNE ,
Chairman

JOSEPH BELESI ,
Vice Chairman

DENISE FORD

MICHAEL VENDITTO

JOSEPH SCANNELL ,
Ranking

DAVID DENENBERG

WAYNE WINK

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LIST OF SPEAKERS

GREGORY MAY, Nassau County,
 Director of Legislative Affairs.....00

GREG STEPHANOFF, Sergeant,
 Nassau County Police Department.....15

EDWARD SHANK, attorney for
 Nassau County Probation Department.....16

BOB MCMANUS, Nassau County
 District Attorney's Office.....11

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2 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Will the members
3 of the Public Safety Committee please take
4 their seats? I'm going to call the Public
5 Safety Committee to order. I will act as
6 the clerk and call the roll.

7 Legislator Wayne Wink?

8 LEGISLATOR WINK: Here.

9 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator Dave
10 Denenberg?

11 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Here.

12 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Ranking Member

13 Legislator Joseph Scannell? He's here.

14 Legislator Michael Venditto?

15 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Here.

16 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator

17 Denise Ford?

18 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

19 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator Vice

20 Chairman Joe Belesi?

21 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Here.

22 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: And myself,

23 Dennis Dunne, we have a quorum. Make a

24 motion to suspend the rules.

25 LEGISLATOR BELESI: So moved.

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2 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Motion by
4 Legislator Belesi, seconded by Legislator
5 Venditto. All those in favor?

6 (Aye.)

7 Any against?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 The first item on this agenda is
10 Item 27-13, an ordinance supplemental to the
11 annual appropriation ordinance in connection
12 with the police department. Do we have
13 someone from the police department here?

14 MR. MAY: Yes. We have Sergeant
15 Gregory Stephanoff. May I have a motion,
16 please?

17 LEGISLATOR BELESI: So moved.

18 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Motion by
20 Legislator Belesi, seconded by Legislator
21 Mike Venditto.

22 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: Good
23 afternoon. Happy New Year to everyone.
24 This is a New York State DCJS-Grant that we
25 are going to use for \$1,000 for police

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2 overtime and the rest is going to be used,
3 \$44,000, for pole mounted license plate
4 readers. This is going to be in those areas
5 that are real problematic, and then we will
6 be able to record the comings and goings in
7 that area more accurately than just a patrol
8 car intensifying patrol around it.

9 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: Just a quick
10 question. The license plate readers, when
11 Legislator Belesi and I went to the
12 correction facility, he had suggested, and
13 it was a good suggestion, and the sheriff
14 also thought it was a good suggestion that
15 we put a reader there for the people that
16 come in because there are a lot of
17 possibilities thereof of illegal cars coming
18 in.

19 Is one of them at least going to
20 go to the sheriff's department for that?

21 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: Not that I
22 see in this item, but I can suggest it to
23 the department.

24 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: Would you
25 bring that back, please?

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2 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: Sure.

3 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: Because we
4 discussed it earlier, amongst ourselves,
5 Legislator Belesi and I.

6 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: What was
7 the location?

8 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: At the
9 correction facility on Carmen Avenue. The
10 public parking area of the facility there.

11 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: Okay.

12 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Any legislators
14 have any other questions on this?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 Is there any public comment?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 There being none, all those in
19 favor indicate by saying aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 Any against?

22 (No verbal response.)

23 So passes. Moves on to Finance.

24 The next item is Item 37-13.

25 It's an ordinance supplemental to the annual

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2 appropriations ordinance in connection with
3 the Department of Probation. May I have a
4 motion, please?

5 LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.

6 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Motion by Denise
8 Ford, seconded by Joe Belesi. Who is here
9 from probation to speak on this?

10 MR. MAY: I'm sorry, Mr.
11 Chairman, did you call 37-13?

12 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: 37-13.

13 MR. MAY: It is Mr. Ed Shank from
14 the probation department.

15 CHAIRWOMAN DUNNE: Great. Mr.
16 Shank.

17 MR. SHANK: Thank you. The New
18 York State Office of Children and Family
19 Services continues to support the Nassau
20 County juvenile justice reform efforts.
21 Item 37-13 covers the second year of the
22 supervision and treatment services for
23 juveniles' programs. The funding totals
24 \$188,000, 62 percent of which is paid by the
25 State and 38 percent of which is paid by the

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2 Nassau Office of Youth Services. The
3 funding supports services provided by Family
4 and Children's Association and Freeport
5 Pride to help divert high-risk juveniles
6 under 16 from deeper penetration in the
7 juvenile justice system. As probation
8 remains, the county executive's lead agency
9 in our local reform efforts, the \$116,560 in
10 OCFS dollars is a pass-through to FCA and
11 Pride.

12 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Thank you. Any
13 legislators have any questions?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 Is there any public comment?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 There being none, all those in
18 favor indicate by saying aye.

19 (Aye.)

20 Any against?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 So passes and goes on to Finance.

23 Now we are going to call item

24 29-13. It's an addendum item. Is an

25 ordinance supplemental to the annual

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2 appropriation ordinance in connection with
3 the District Attorney's Office.

4 Who do we have from the district
5 attorney's office?

6 MR. MAY: Mr. Bob McManus.

7 MR. MCMANUS: Thank you. Your
8 approval of this item will enable us to
9 utilize \$166,059 in funds received from the
10 New York State Division of Criminal Justice
11 Services to investigate and prosecute motor
12 vehicle theft and motor vehicle insurance
13 fraud cases. Investigative efforts target
14 medical mills and auto body shops suspected
15 of no fault fraud with an emphasis on
16 undercover investigations.

17 The program also facilitates
18 cooperation from between law enforcement
19 agencies and the insurance industry in
20 combatting the problem of auto related
21 insurance fraud.

22 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Thank you. Any
23 legislators have any questions?

24 (No verbal response.)

25 Is there any public comment?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 There being none, all those in
4 favor indicate by saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 Any against?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 So ordered. This is goes on to
9 Finance. There being no other business to
10 come before this body --

11 LEGISLATOR BELESI: So moved.

12 LEGISLATOR FORD: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator
14 Belesi calls for an adjournment, seconded by
15 Denise Ford. All in favor?

16 (Aye.)

17 We are now adjourned. Next is
18 the Planning Committee.

19 (Whereupon, the Public Safety
20 Committee adjourned at 1:25 p.m.)

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

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FRANK GRAY