PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MAY 8, 2023

The Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Monday, May 8, 2023 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building.

Members Present: S. Baker (Chair), G. Baldwin, M. Pasquale, S. Ryan, B. Weslar

Members Absent: None

Others Present: J. Garnar, M. Ponticiello, C. Whalen, County Exec's Office; E. Gartenman,

P. Kilker, Assigned Counsel Program; F. Akshar, Sheriff; P. Dewing, OES; G. Kilmer, Transit; M. Hilderbrant, A. Martin, C. Hall, M. Tanzini, Legislature;

V. Gialanella, Visitor

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:01 p.m. Mr. Pasquale moved the agenda, seconded by Mrs. Ryan. The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REOPENING SECTION 552 OF THE RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 609 OF THE LAWS OF 2022

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#30 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE HURRELL-HARRING ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2023-2024

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#31 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUESTS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Responding to a question from Mrs. Ryan, Sheriff Akshar explained that this change will allow his office more flexibility in hiring the best candidate for the position and it will not limit them to only hiring someone from the civil service list.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#41 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUEST FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Patrick Dewing, Director of the Office of Emergency Services, gave an update on the Public Safety Radio Project. (Attached with the minutes)

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Pasquale made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Baldwin. The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.