

RESOLUTION NO. 364 -2020, AMENDING THE 2020 OPERATING BUDGET TO ESTABLISH A NEW POSITION IN THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES: PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER

WHEREAS, Suffolk County has a duty to protect the health and safety of its residents, especially children who have had contact with Child Protective Services ("CPS"); and

WHEREAS, CPS would benefit from hiring a trained mental health professional to review cases deemed elevated and/or critical; and

WHEREAS, the hiring of a trained mental health professional under the title of Psychiatric Social Worker would aid CPS in determining whether a child is safe in his or her home; and

WHEREAS, the title of Psychiatric Social Worker currently exists in the County Salary Classification and Plan, but the 2020 Operating Budget does not include this title or associated funding within the Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-31 (G) of the Suffolk County Charter allows amendment of the County Operating Budget by County Legislators four times during the fiscal year as long as the amendment reduces, lowers, terminates or cancels appropriations; abolishes positions of employment; terminates contract agencies; terminates or reduces the size of County programs or departments, or makes transfers of appropriations that are offset by reductions in other programs; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the 2020 County Operating Budget be amended as follows to create the following position in the Department of Social Services:

<u>Fd-Approp-Unit</u>	<u>Spec. No.</u>	<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Number Created</u>
0001-6010-2700	2511	PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER	21	+1

and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the funds available in the fund unit referenced in the 1st RESOLVED clause are sufficient to pay for the salary and benefits associated with this position and shall be used accordingly; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(26) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as routine or continuing administration and management not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the

environment, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: May 19, 2020

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 27, 2020