

RESOLUTION NO. 102-2021, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 704-2017 TO UPDATE THE NAME AND OPERATION OF THE HEROIN AND OPIATE EPIDEMIC ADVISORY PANEL

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 704-2017 established a permanent Heroin and Opiate Epidemic Advisory Panel (“the Advisory Panel”) to provide ongoing input and recommendations and to address the opioid epidemic through preventative education, enhancement of enforcement efforts, and aiding in the treatment and rehabilitation of those addicted to heroin and opioids; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 231-2020 amended the Advisory Panel’s membership and quorum requirements; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 704-2017 and Resolution No. 231-2020 both refer to “opiates,” while the preferred term is now “opioids”; and

WHEREAS, there are certain membership changes which will make the Advisory Panel more productive; and

WHEREAS, amendments should also be made to Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, to clarify the membership and responsibilities of the Advisory Panel; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the 1st RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

1st RESOLVED, that a permanent [Heroin and Opiate Epidemic] Addiction Prevention and Support Advisory Panel (“[the] Advisory Panel”) is hereby established to provide assistance and advice to the County in combating the [opiate] opioid crisis in an interdisciplinary manner; and be it further

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2nd RESOLVED, that the 2nd RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

2nd RESOLVED, that the Advisory Panel shall consist of the following [thirty (30)] twenty-nine (29) members:

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- 17.) A representative of Eastern Long Island Hospital;
- 18.) A representative of [the Quality Consortium of Suffolk County] Family Services League;
- 19.) A representative of the Nassau/Suffolk Hospital Council;
- 20.) A representative of the Long Island Prevention Resource Center;

[21.) A representative of Catholic Health Services of Long Island;]

[22] 21.) A representative of New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS);

[23] 22.) A representative of Outreach House;

[24] 23.) A member of the public, to be appointed by the Suffolk County Legislature;

[25] 24.) The Suffolk County District Attorney, or his or her representative;

[26] 25.) The Director of the Department of Probation, or his or her representative;

[27] 26.) The Medical Examiner, or his or her representative;

[28].] 27.) The Commissioner of the Department of Health Services, or his or her representative;

[29] 28.) The President of the Fire Chiefs Council of Suffolk County, or his or her representative; and

[30] 29.) The Chair of the Seniors and Human Services Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature, or his/her designee; and be it further

; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the 5th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

5th **RESOLVED**, that the Advisory Panel shall hold regular meetings at least quarterly, keep a record of all its proceedings, and determine the rules of its own proceedings with special meetings to be called by the Chairperson. Each member of the Advisory Panel shall attend a minimum of three (3) meetings annually; and be it further

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4th **RESOLVED**, that the 6th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

6th **RESOLVED**, that [~~sixteen (16)~~] fifteen (15) members of the Advisory Panel shall constitute a quorum to transact the business of the Advisory Panel at both regular and special meetings; and be it further

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5th **RESOLVED**, that the 7th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

7th RESOLVED, that the Advisory Panel shall conduct a minimum of two (2) formal public hearings annually to acquire necessary information or other data to assist the panel in gathering information and developing recommendations. Each member of the Advisory Panel shall attend a minimum of one (1) formal public hearing annually; and be it further

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6th RESOLVED, that the 9th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 704-2017, as amended by Resolution No. 231-2020, is hereby amended as follows:

9th RESOLVED, that, beginning in 2018, the Advisory Panel shall prepare a written annual report, to be submitted by December 31st of each year to the Clerk of the Legislature, each County Legislator and the County Executive, which details the work of the committee over the course of the year, recommendations to improve the County's response to the [heroin and opiate] opioid addiction crisis and a summary of the previous year's recommendations and the outcomes associated therewith, if any; and be it further

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7th RESOLVED, that any reference to the "Heroin and Opiate Epidemic Advisory Panel" in Resolution No. 704-2017 or Resolution No. 231-2020 shall be substituted with the name "Addiction Prevention and Support Advisory Panel" and shall be deemed to reference the "Addiction Prevention and Support Advisory Panel"; and be it further

8th RESOLVED, that any reference to "opiate" or "opiates" in Resolution No. 704-2017 or Resolution No. 231-2020 shall be substituted with "opioid" or "opioids" and shall be deemed to reference the same; and be it further

9th 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) and (33) 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 insofar as these actions constitute 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: March 2, 2021

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: March 16, 2021