

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Girard, Wood, Westcott, Monroe and Strough

SUPPORT OF EXPLORING OPTIONS FOR EXPANSION AND/OR RENOVATION OF THE COURT FACILITIES AT THE WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPAL CENTER AND REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, on Thursday, January 30, 2014, the Justices of the Warren County Supreme Court, Warren County Court and Warren County Family Court made a presentation to the County Facilities Committee of the Warren County Board of Supervisors regarding areas of the Warren County Municipal Center ("Municipal Center") currently occupied and used by the Courts and more particularly, how the current courtroom configuration and spatial limitations impact the proper functioning of the Courts and may present public safety concerns, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Supervisors recognizes the need to explore options for expansion and/or renovation of the Court facilities at the Municipal Center, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Supervisors has been advised that upon request of the Warren County Board of Supervisors to the New York State Office of Court Administration, New York State Office of Court Administration will make the professional architect staff employed at the New York State Office of Court Administration available to Warren County to assist Warren County in exploring options for expansion and/or renovation of the Court facilities at the Municipal Center, and

WHEREAS, Departments within Warren County, such as the Warren County Department of Public Works possess expertise and resources, which together with the architect staff at the New York State Office of Court Administration will be able to identify, analyze and report on options which may be available to Warren County for the expansion and/or renovation of the Court facilities at the Municipal Center, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby express support for exploration

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of options for the expansion and/or renovation of Court facilities at the Municipal Center, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby requests the New York State Office of Court Administration make its professional architect staff available to Warren County to assist Warren County with identifying options for expansion and/or renovation of the Court facilities at the Municipal Center, it being the intent that such professional services are for the purposes of identifying and clarifying the special needs of the various Courts as well as the public and to provide its recommendations and expertise in identifying the same, understanding that all such services and advice do not include specific construction design professional services.