Marren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 278 OF 2015

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Conover, Wood, Dickinson, Frasier, Simpson, Merlino and Thomas

AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY PLAN WHICH SHALL INCLUDE A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PLAN, WARREN COUNTY EFFICIENCIES AND/OR SAVINGS FROM THE SALE OF THE NURSING HOME AND ADDING THERETO ANY EFFICIENCY PROJECT(S), SHARED SERVICE(S) OR COOPERATION AGREEMENT(S) IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN WARREN COUNTY PARTICIPATING IN THE WARREN COUNTY EFFICIENCY PLAN AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY OFFICIALS TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS AND MAKE CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

WHEREAS, local governments in New York State and specifically in Warren County either singularly, jointly or as part of a County initiative must submit and use best efforts to fully implement a Government Efficiency Plan to be submitted by June 1, 2015 as required by the State Property Tax Freeze Credit to qualify homeowners to receive a property tax credit, and

WHEREAS, Warren County has proposed to submit a Government Efficiency Plan on its own behalf as well as on behalf of interested local governments in Warren County and demonstrate required savings on a plan wide basis for all participating local governments beginning in 2017,2018 and 2019 when fully implemented as allowed under the State Property Tax Freeze Plan, and

WHEREAS, Warren County's Government Efficiency Plan is proposed to include 1) a cooperative purchasing plan as part of a Warren County countywide Government Efficiency Plan which would bid certain commodities on behalf of all participating Warren county local governments with the objective of achieving better pricing and administrative efficiencies; 2) efficiencies and/or savings from the sale of the nursing home; AND 3) efficiency initiatives, shared services and/or cooperation agreements identified by the County Administrator or other local governments participating in the County plan, and

WHEREAS, a number of local governments desire to participate in the Warren County Government Efficiency Plan and specifically in the cooperative purchasing plan in lieu of submitting their own efficiency

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plan as allowed under the State Tax Freeze Credit, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Warren County submit a Government Efficiency Plan as lead entity and as described in the preambles of this resolution, and be it further

RESOLVED that the Chief Executive Officer and/or Budget Officer, Chief Financial Officer and/or County Administrator or their designees are authorized to 1) analyze and report savings from any efficiency initiatives, shared services and/or cooperation agreements that are undertaken as part of the Warren County Efficiency Plan and as may required under the State Property Tax Freeze or rules or policies of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance or Division of Budget; 2) represent and/or certify that Warren County agrees to undertake its best efforts to fully implement the said efficiency initiatives, shared services and/or cooperation agreements as required under the Property Tax Freeze Credit; 3) provide such documentation and other information that may be required by the County for submission of the County Government Efficiency Plan; 4) make all such certifications as may be required by New York State, and 5) take any and all such other and further action and execute such documents and certifications that may be necessary or advisable to cause Warren County to be an eligible and qualified lead entity for the Warren County Government Efficiency Plan and secure the tax credit for residents.