

## **RESOLUTION NO. 120**

### **AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AN AGREEMENT REGARDING THE CRIMES AGAINST REVENUE PROGRAM**

Introduced: 4/14/08

By Law Committee, Mr. Cotrofeld, Mss. McKnight and Maffia-Tobler:

WHEREAS, The District Attorney's Office has indicated that the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services has notified the County that grant funding in the amount of \$42,500 is available regarding the Crimes Against Revenue Program for a six month period commencing April 1, 2008 to September 30, 2008, and

WHEREAS, The Crimes Against Revenue grant would increase the capacity to initiate investigations and, working in partnership with the State Police, State Department of Taxation and Finance, State Comptroller, Attorney General and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, to effectively prosecute those who violate various tax laws and deprive municipalities of the ability to fund essential services, and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney's Office further indicated that the grant will be used to finance a partial salary and benefits for a full-time Assistant District Attorney and attempt to improve voluntary compliance with sales tax laws by small businesses, stop the victimization of elderly and economically vulnerable citizens from unscrupulous businesses and professionals, prosecute financial crime associated with criminal enterprises and reclaim the revenue, and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney has requested authorization to submit the grant application and enter into an agreement with the Division of Criminal Justice Services regarding the Crimes Against Revenue Program, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services pertaining to the Crimes Against Revenue Program, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Division of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$42,500 regarding the Crimes Against Revenue Program for a six month period commencing April 1, 2008 to September 30, 2008, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said application and agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Adopted by unanimous vote. 4/14/08*