## HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

## DRAFT IMAs ON FILE

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive forwarding for your Honorable Board's consideration an act (the "Act") which, if approved, will authorize the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through the Department of Public Safety ("Department"), to enter into inter-municipal agreements ("IMAs") with one or more Westchester County municipal corporations, as defined in Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law, for the implementation of the STOP-DWI Patrol/Datamaster Project ("STOP-DWI Program"). The STOP-DWI Program is a concerted DWI law enforcement effort undertaken by local municipalities and their police departments to reduce alcohol-related traffic injuries and fatalities in Westchester. The term of the IMAs will commence on January 1, 2026 and continue through December 31, 2030.

As your Honorable Board may recall, on November 9, 2020, by Act No. 184-2020, your Honorable Board authorized the County to enter into IMAs with various municipalities within the County for the operation of the STOP-DWI Program for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2021. The authorization provided under Act No. 184-2020 is due to expire on December 31, 2025. The proposed Act will allow the County to continue the STOP-DWI Program for another five (5) year term.

Your Committee is advised that the STOP-DWI Program has successfully initiated and coordinated efforts to reduce the number of alcohol and drug-related traffic injuries and deaths by providing municipalities with enforcement funding, coordinating of prosecution efforts, and informing and educating the public as to the legal and social consequences of driving while intoxicated in Westchester County. The STOP-DWI Program is funded by the return from the State of New York to the County of DWI-DWAI fines collected in Westchester. Each municipality can receive up to \$8,400.00 per year for DWI road patrol enforcement. No tax levy monies support the STOP-DWI Program.

The Department of Planning has advised your Committee that based on its review, the authorization of the proposed IMAs do not meet the definition of an "action" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 ("SEQR"). Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2025, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Therefore, no environmental review is required.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the voting strength of the Board is required for approval of the attached Act. Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Act and believes it to be in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommends your Honorable Board's favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

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Dated: September 22, 2025 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below

Committee(s) on:

**Budget & Appropriations** 

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Dated: September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.

**Public Safety** 

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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Inter Municipal Agreement STOP-DWI and 39 Municipalities in Westchester 
☑ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT						
(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department)						
A) GENI	ERAL FUND	AIRPORT	SPECIAL REVENU	JE FUND (Districts)		
B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES						
Total Cu	ırrent Year Cost	\$ <u>0</u>				
Total Current Year Revenue \$ 0						
Source of Funds (check one):   Current Appropriations						
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)						
Identify Accounts: Fund: 711; Dept. 71; Trust Account: B009-F009; Object: 8500 (January 1, 2026-December 31, 2030)						
Potentia	l Related Operating	Budget Expenses:	Annual Amount \$ 0			
Describe: No impact to the Operating Budget						
Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 0						
Describe: No impact to the Operating Budget. Funding received from fines collected from individuals who are arrested from drinking and driving in the amount of \$8,400.00/yearly per municipality and \$42,000 for the five (5) year period of said Agreements. The total amount of the 5 year contract is \$1,638,000.00 which will be accounted for in Department 71, Fund 711.						
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Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:						
Current Year: \$ 0						
No impact to the Operating Budget						
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Next I	our years: \$0					
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Prepared by: Patricia McCarthy Tomassi  Title: Program Administrator  Department: Public Safety Office of Drug Abuse Prevention & STOP DWI  If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.  Reviewed By:  Budget Director Whitu Cuypt  Christma Rumpata  Deputy Budget Director  8(26/25)						

## ACT NO. 189 - 2025

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into intermunicipal agreements with one or more Westchester County municipal corporations as defined in Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law for the implementation of the STOP-DWI Patrol/Datamaster Project.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

- Section 1. The County of Westchester ("County") is hereby authorized to enter into intermunicipal agreements ("IMAs") with one or more Westchester County municipal corporations as defined in Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law for the implementation of the STOP-DWI Patrol/Datamaster Project, which is a concerted DWI law enforcement effort undertaken by local municipalities and their police departments to reduce alcohol-related traffic injuries and fatalities in Westchester. The term of the IMAs shall commence on January 1, 2026 and continue through December 31, 2030. The program shall be funded by the return from the State of New York to the County of DWI-DWAI fines collected in Westchester. Each municipality can receive up to \$8,400.00 per year for DWI road patrol enforcement. No tax levy monies shall support the STOP-DWI Program.
- §2. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and take all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.
  - §3. This Act shall take effect immediately.

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY	)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 189 - 2025, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on September 29, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on September 30, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

