

Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

October 6, 2025

Westchester County Board of Legislators 800 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

For the 2026 calendar year, as in previous years, the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film is required by the New York State Division of Tourism to submit a County resolution that designates the Office of Tourism and Film as the County's official Tourist Promotion Agency ("TPA").

This TPA designation will allow the Office of Tourism and Film to receive a matching funds grant from New York State which will be used to market Westchester County as a tourism destination.

I have been advised that the New York State Tourist Promotion Act specifically requires the designation of a tourist promotion agency by the County's governing body and that such approval be in the form of a Resolution. As you are aware, Section 209.91(4) of the Laws of Westchester County requires approval by your Honorable Board for such matters by way of an Act. To satisfy the requirements of both the County and the State, your Honorable Board has been presented with a proposed Act and Resolution for your consideration and approval. Your Honorable Board has passed similar legislation, most recently by Act No. 237-2024 and Resolution No. 187-2024 for the calendar year 2025.

Accordingly, I recommend and urge your Honorable Board to adopt the proposed Act and Resolution naming the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film as Westchester County's official "TPA" for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

Sincerely

Kenneth W. Jenkins

Westchester County Executive

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HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive requesting that the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film be designated as the County's official Tourist Promotion Agency ("TPA") for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

This TPA designation will allow the Office of Tourism and Film to receive a matching funds grant from New York State which will be used to market Westchester County as a tourism destination.

Your Committee has been advised that the New York State Tourist Promotion Act specifically requires the designation of a tourist promotion agency by the County's governing body and that such approval be in the form of a Resolution. As you are aware, Section 209.91(4) of the Laws of Westchester County requires approval by your Honorable Board for such matters by way of an Act. To satisfy the requirements of both the County and the State, your Honorable Board has been presented with a proposed Act and Resolution for your consideration and approval. Your Honorable Board has passed similar legislation, most recently by Act No. 237-2024 and Resolution No. 187-2024 for the calendar year 2025.

The Planning Department has advised that that the proposed designation does not meet the definition of an action under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617. As such, no environmental review is required.

Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 14, 2025, which

is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators.

Your Committee has been advised that passage of the attached Act and Resolution

requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board.

Accordingly, your Committee recommends adoption of the proposed Act and Resolution.

Dated:

, 2025

White Plains, New York

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT:	Tourist Promotion Agency	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget		
SECTION A - FUND		
X GENERAL FUND	AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND
SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES		
Total Current Year Exp	pense \$ 54,000	
Total Current Year Re	venue \$ 54,000	
Source of Funds (chec	k one): X Current Appropriations	Transfer of Existing Appropriations
Additional Appro	oriations	Other (explain)
Identify Accounts:	Expense: 101-11-0720-4912 ; Revenue: 2	263-11-B432-9854
Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$54,000		
Describe:	An Act designating the Westchester Coun	nty Office of Tourism as the Tourist
Promotion Agenc	y for Westchester County for the period fr	rom January 1, 2026 through
December 31, 2026		
Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount		
Describe:		
Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:		
Current Year:	,,,,,,	
Next Four Years:		
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Prepared by:	Michael Dunn	all.
Title:	Senior Budget Analyst	Reviewed By: Was Moders
Department:	Budget	Budget Director
Date:	October 1, 2025	Date: October 1, 2025

ACT NO. ____- 2025

AN ACT designating the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film as the Tourist Promotion Agency for Westchester County for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

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

Section 1. The Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester hereby designates the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film as the Tourist Promotion Agency for Westchester County, as such an agency is defined in the New York State Tourist Promotion Act, for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

- §2. The attached Resolution, designating the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film as the Tourist Promotion Agency for Westchester County, is hereby adopted.
 - §3. This Act shall take effect immediately.