## 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

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. 204-2020 and Resolution No. 180-2020 for the calendar year 2021.

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 May 14, 2021, 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: , 2021 White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON** 

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Budget & appropriations

Dated: November 17, 2021 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely, pursuant to Chapter 417 of New York State Laws of 2021, 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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## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

| SUBJECT:   | Tourist Promotion Agency 2022           | NO FISCA            | L IMPACT PROJECTED                    |  |  |
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| OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT  To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
| SECTION A - FUND   |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
| X GENERAL FUND   | AIRPORT FUND                            | SPECIAL D           | ISTRICTS FUND                         |  |  |
| SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES  |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
| Total Current Year Exp   | pense \$ 31,522                         | -                   |                                       |  |  |
| Total Current Year Rev   | venue \$ 31,522                         | -                   |                                       |  |  |
| Source of Funds (chec  | k one): X Current Appropriations        | Transfer o          | f Existing Appropriations             |  |  |
| Additional Approp  | priations                               | Other (exp          | olain)                                |  |  |
| Identify Accounts: Expense:101-11-0720-4912; Revenue: 263-11-432X-9854                   |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
|  |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
| Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$31,522                      |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
| Describe:  | An Act designating the Westchester Co   | ounty Office of Tou | rism as the Tourist                   |  |  |
| Promotion Agenc  | y for Westchester County for the period | d from January 1, 2 | 022 through                           |  |  |
| December 31, 20  | 22.                                     |                     |                                       |  |  |
| Potential Related Ope  | erating Budget Revenues:                | Annual Amount       | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |  |  |
| Describe:  |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
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| Anticipated Savings to   | County and/or Impact on Departmen       | t Operations:       |                                       |  |  |
| Current Year:  |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
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| Next Four Years:   |   |                     |                                       |  |  |
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| Prepared by:   | Debra Ogden                             | _                   |                                       |  |  |
| Title:   | Sr. Budget Analyst                      | Reviewed By:        | Hannel                                |  |  |
| Department:  | Budget                                  |                     | Budget Director                       |  |  |
| Date:  | October 26, 2021                        | Date:               | 10/00                                 |  |  |

## **ACT NO.** 209 - 2021

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, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

- **§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.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 193 - 2021**

WHEREAS, the State of New York has made available to its counties "matching funds" for the promotion of tourism; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Tourist Promotion Act requires the legislature of each county to designate a Tourist Promotion Agency as the applicant for and the recipient of such funds; and

WHEREAS, the Westchester County Office of Tourism and Film is charged with the duty to promote tourism within Westchester County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby:

**RESOLVED**, that 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

| STATE OF NEW YORK     | ) |    |
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| COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER | ) |    |

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act No. 209 - 2021, and Resolution No. 193 - 2021, with the originals on file in my office, and that the same are correct transcripts therefrom, and of the whole, of said original Act, and Resolution which were duly adopted by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on November 22, 2021, and approved by the County Executive on November 22, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

