BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee is in receipt of a proposed Act, which if enacted by your Board, would authorize the settlement of the lawsuit of <u>Lisa A. Robinson v. County of Westchester</u>, et al, Westchester County Supreme Court Index No. 56667/2020, in the amount of \$125,000.00 inclusive of attorney's fees.

This matter is pending in the Westchester County Supreme Court. The matter tentatively settled on May 11, 2022 pending this Board's approval of a settlement in the amount of \$125,000.00, inclusive of attorney's fees.

This matter arises out of a Liberty Lines Bus accident which occurred on August 29, 2018. Plaintiff was a passenger and was standing in front of and facing the back door while holding on to a railing with her left hand. The bus was traveling southbound on South Broadway in Yonkers. The accident happened when a car appeared to run the stop sign at the on-ramp to South Broadway from the Henry Hudson Parkway, and entered South Broadway at an angle from the right. The codefendant's car was struck by the bus on the driver's side door. Codefendant appeared to have been attempting to make a left turn in front of the bus

Plaintiff was transported from the scene of the bus accident to St. Joseph's Hospital in Yonkers. She complained of pain in her left leg, knee and hip, and pain in her left shoulder. As a result of the bus accident, on January 31, 2019, plaintiff had arthroscopic surgery at Surgicore of Manhattan to repair a partial rotator cuff tear in her left shoulder.

The settlement takes into consideration the uncertainty of litigation and the potential costs of trial, subsequent proceedings and potential appeal. Both outside counsel and our insurer's adjuster recommend this settlement. The County's insurance policy will cover \$25,000 of the \$125,000 settlement, and the County will pay its \$100,000. deductible.

Your Committee has carefully considered the subject matter, the settlement proposal, the attached Act and recommends authorizing the County Attorney or his designee to settle the lawsuit entitled <u>Lisa A. Robinson v. County of Westchester</u>, et al, Westchester County Supreme Court Index No. 56667/2020, in the amount of \$125,000.00 inclusive of attorney's fees.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the Board is required to pass this legislation.

Dated:

White Plains, New York

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Budget & Appropriations COMMITTEE ON:

Law & Major Contracts Dated: June 6, 2022

White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely pursuant to Chapter 1 of New York State Laws of 2022, and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.

COMMITTEES ON

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Budget & Appropriations

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT:	Lisa Robinson v. County, et al.	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 Ex	\$ 100,000		
Total Current Year R	evenue \$ -		
Source of Funds (che	ck one): X Current Appropriations	Transfer of Existing Appropriations	
Additional Appro	opriations	Other (explain)	
Identify Accounts:	6N Fund: 615 59 0698 4270 4280 05		
Potential Related Op Describe:	perating Budget Expenses:	Annual Amount	
Potential Related Op Describe:	perating Budget Revenues:	Annual Amount	
Anticipated Savings (Current Year:	to County and/or Impact on Department	Operations:	
Next Four Years			
Prepared by:	Dianne Vanadia		
Title:	Sr. Budget Analyst	Reviewed By:	
Department:	Budget	Budget Director	
Date:	May 18, 2022	Date: 5 15 32	

AN ACT authorizing the County Attorney to settle the lawsuit of <u>Lisa A. Robinson v. County of Westchester</u>, et al, in Westchester County Supreme Court, Index No. 56667/2020, in the amount of \$125,000.00, inclusive of attorney's fees

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

Section 1. The County Attorney is authorized to settle the lawsuit of <u>Lisa A. Robinson v. County of Westchester</u>, et al, in Westchester County Supreme Court, Index No. 56667/2020, in the amount of \$125,000.00 inclusive of attorney's fees. The County will pay \$100,000.00 of this settlement as required by the deductible applicable to its insurance policy.

Section 2. The County Attorney or his designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all documents and take such actions as the County Attorney deems necessary or desirable to accomplish the purpose of this Act.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
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WESTCHESTER COUNTY)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 67 - 2022, 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 June 13, 2022, and approved by the County Executive on June 15, 2022.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 17th day of June, 2022.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

