

RESOLUTION NO. 127 -2010, AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE SUFFOLK COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE SUFFOLK COUNTY OFFICE OF PROBATION, THE SUFFOLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR SHARING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENT INFORMATION

WHEREAS, the prevalence of domestic violence on local, state and national levels continues to escalate despite increasing awareness and prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, efforts to assist victims and families and to pursue perpetrators of domestic violence would be greatly enhanced if the County criminal justice and social services systems were to share comprehensive information on domestic violence incidents; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence incident information maintained by and accessible to individual entities within the criminal justice system may not be readily accessible among the various entities; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence incident information maintained by the criminal justice system may not always be readily available or accessible to the County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, such information could benefit the victims and families served by the social services system by facilitating the appropriate handling of specific cases; and

WHEREAS, such information sharing would significantly assist, and in certain instances, protect caseworkers and other social service providers in their investigations of domestic violence situations and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among the Suffolk County Police Department, the Suffolk County Office of Probation, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office, the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office and the Suffolk County Department of Social Services for the purpose of sharing domestic violence incident information would address these concerns; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute an MOU among the Suffolk County Police Department, the Suffolk County Office of Probation, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office, the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office and the Suffolk County Department of Social Services for sharing domestic violence incident information, to the extent permitted by law; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, This Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this law constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20) and/or (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules,

policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection. The Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this law.

DATED: March 2, 2010

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steve Levy
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: March 12, 2010