

**RESOLUTION NO. 1175 -2013, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION
OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES
CONCERNING AN INVESTIGATION OF THE SUFFOLK
COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, in 2009, the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York initiated a joint investigation of the Suffolk County Police Department ("Department") arising out of a complaint concerning police practices as it relates to investigation of crimes against Latinos; and

WHEREAS, the United States issued a Technical Assistance Letter in 2011 which provided preliminary observations, advice and recommendations, many of which the Department has already adopted and has not issued Findings of unconstitutional or discriminatory police practices; and

WHEREAS, the United States recognizes and acknowledges that the County and Department have fully cooperated with the investigation and desires to resolve the investigation by entry of this voluntary agreement which incorporates newly adopted policies and procedures as well as recommendations made by the United States which serve to improve police practices generally and enhance relations with the community, specifically; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Agreement, the Department will enhance training in bias free policing, will enhance data collection for improved analysis, and will improve community policing efforts; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Executive, or his designee and the Commissioner of the Department are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the Agreement with the United States, substantially in the form submitted herewith as Exhibit "A", and to take all actions necessary to implement the Agreement, subject to any necessary future approvals by the County Legislature; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, the execution and delivery on behalf of and in the name of the County by the County Executive and/or his designee(s) of such agreements, instruments and/or authorizations as may be contemplated by, or necessary or advisable to, consummate or otherwise give full effect to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution is hereby authorized and directed as the County Executive and/or his designee(s) may approve, and the execution and delivery of such agreements, instruments and/or authorizations shall be conclusive evidence of the approval, the authorization and the direction thereof by this Legislature; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the execution and delivery of such Agreement shall be conclusive evidence of approval of any such changes and of the authorization and direction thereof by this Legislature; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead Agency, hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this law is a Type II action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Section 617.5(c) (20), (27) and (29), since it constitutes a local legislative decision in connection with routine or continuing agency administration and

management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment and a civil enforcement proceeding, including a particular course of action specifically required to be undertaken pursuant to a judgment or order. As a Type II action, the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA.

DATED: December 17, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 30, 2013