

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislator Hahn

**RESOLUTION NO. 1176 -2014, APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE STUDY AND MONITORING OF PUBLIC HEALTH RELATED HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS (CP 8224)**

**WHEREAS**, funds were adopted in the 2014 Capital Budget for the study and monitoring of Public Health Related Harmful Algal Blooms (HAB); and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used for a comprehensive assessment of the Peconic Estuary for the presence of *Alexandrium fundyense*, a microalgae associated with “red tides”, which contains a marine bio-toxin causing paralytic shellfish poisoning; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds within the 2014 Adopted Capital Budget and Program to cover the cost of said request under Capital Program Number 8224; and

**WHEREAS**, amortizing the bonds over the period of probable usefulness (“PPU”) of the study and monitoring may be fiscally beneficial as compared to including the items in the weighted average maturity (“WAM”) determined for a typical bond issue; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 471-1994 and as amended by Resolution No. 461-2006 has established a priority ranking system as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Legislature, by resolution of even date herewith, has authorized the issuance of \$25,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds; now, therefore be it

**1<sup>st</sup> RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), Environmental Conservation Law Article 8, hereby finds and determines that this law constitutes a Type II action, pursuant to Section 617.5 (C) (20), (21), and (27) of Title 6 of New York Code of Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”), and the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA; and be it further

**2<sup>nd</sup> RESOLVED**, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of fifty-seven (57) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 471-1994 as amended by Resolution No. 461-2006; and be it further

**3<sup>rd</sup> RESOLVED**, that if it is determined to be fiscally beneficial, the study and monitoring of public health related harmful algal blooms will be financed utilizing the PPU of the project; and be it further

**4<sup>th</sup> RESOLVED**, that the proceeds of \$25,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds be and they hereby are appropriated as follows:

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>J.C.</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-8224.118 (Fund 001-Debt Service)	40	Public Health Related Harmful Algal Blooms	\$25,000

DATED: December 15, 2014 **\*\*NOT ADOPTED\*\***