

**RESOLUTION NO. 341 -2015, ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING 100% GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE EDUCATION, OUTREACH SERVICES AND ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE INTO GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS TO THE AGED, CERTIFIED BLIND AND CERTIFIED DISABLED POPULATIONS OF SUFFOLK AND NASSAU COUNTIES THROUGH THE CONSUMER ASSISTANCE TO THE AGED, BLIND AND DISABLED PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT**

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Department of Health has designated the Suffolk County Department of Social Services as the recipient of 100% grant funding in the amount of \$800,000 per year with the potential of \$4,000,000 over the grant's five year period; and

**WHEREAS**, \$554,125 of the \$800,000 has not been included in the 2015 Operating Budget appropriations to further this initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the grant is to provide education, outreach services and enrollment assistance into government-sponsored health insurance programs to the aged certified blind and certified disabled populations of Suffolk and Nassau Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the services and assistance provided through the Consumer Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (CA-ABD) Program are expected to enable Suffolk and Nassau Medicaid applicants to gain access to government sponsored health insurance programs and to make informed decisions regarding their managed care plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Department of Health has approved the grant proposal developed in collaboration with the Nassau Suffolk Hospital Council, Inc., as the provider of the Consumer Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (CA-ABD) Program; and

**WHEREAS**, this program is 100% funded with state funds; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of Suffolk County to accept these supplemental funds; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that the County Comptroller and County Treasurer be and they hereby are authorized to accept and appropriate said grant funds as follows:

<u>REVENUES:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
360-3610 FEDERAL/STATE AID: MA Administration	\$800,000

ORGANIZATIONS:

Department of Social Services  
Medicaid Administration  
360-DSS-6204

<u>4000-Contractual Expenses</u>	<u>\$554,125</u>
4980-xxxx - Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, Inc. and be it further	\$554,125

**2nd**            **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive and the Commissioner of Social Services be and they are hereby authorized to execute a contract with the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, Inc., for Consumer Assistance Services.

DATED:

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone  
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 21, 2015