

RESOLUTION NO. 1039 -2015, APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH RECONSTRUCTION OF VANDERBILT SEAWALL (CP 7453)

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the former summer estate of William K. Vanderbilt II; and

WHEREAS, this 100-year-old Estate is one of the last few remaining examples of the Gold Coast Mansion era on Long Island; and

WHEREAS, William K. Vanderbilt II commissioned the construction of the Estate's historic granite block seawall approximately 85 years ago; and

WHEREAS, major storms and severe winter ice conditions during the past five (5) years have caused several sections of the seawall to collapse and possibly compromise the stability of the steep hill behind the seawall; and

WHEREAS, planning funds are required to evaluate and survey the waterfront to obtain the necessary environmental permits and approvals to repair and restore the seawall; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum has requested planning funds for the restoration of the seawall at the Vanderbilt Museum; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds within the 2015 Capital Budget and Program to cover the cost of said request; and

WHEREAS, that this Legislature, by resolution of even date herewith, has authorized the issuance of \$35,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 571-1998, Resolution No. 209-2000 and Resolution No. 461-2006 established the use of a priority ranking system, implemented in the Adopted 2015 Capital Budget, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of thirty-nine (39) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 471-1994 as revised by Resolution No. 571-1998, Resolution No. 209-2000 and Resolution No. 461-2006; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the proceeds of \$35,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds be, and they hereby are, appropriated as follows:

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-7453.110	Reconstruction of Vanderbilt Seawall	\$35,000

and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the County Department of Public Works is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take such action as may be necessary, for the planning and reconstruction of the Vanderbilt Museum Seawall; and be it further

4th **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”), in that the law authorizes information collection, including basic data collection and research, and preliminary planning processes necessary to formulate a proposal for an action, but does not commit the County to commence or approve an action; since this law is a Type II action, the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA.

DATED: December 1, 2015

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 16, 2015