

RESOLUTION NO. 316

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH FAMILIES TOGETHER NEW YORK REGARDING SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Introduced: 9/8/08

By Social Services Committee, Messrs. Bullock, Cotrofeld and Ms. Maffia-Tobler:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department for Children, Youth and Families has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Families Together New York regarding Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services for the period beginning October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$1,350,697, and

WHEREAS, Families Together New York is the statewide leader in parent support, advocacy and the Department's lead partner responsible for staffing and overseeing three Family Resource Centers in Colonie, East Berne and Albany, and

WHEREAS, Families Together New York offers family support, respite, information and referrals, training and supervision of parent advisors for the Across the Ages Mentoring Program and information linkage to respite services, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated that funds for the agreement will come from the fifth year of a \$9.4 million six-year grant award to Albany County from the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Families Together New York regarding Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services for the period beginning October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$1,350,697, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 9/8/08