

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 429 OF 2022

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISORS STROUGH AND THOMAS

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED TO
COMPLY WITH THE NEW YORK STATE HEALTH CARE AND
MENTAL HYGIENE WORKER BONUS PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Health Care and Mental Hygiene Worker Bonus (HWB) Program, enacted on August 3, 2022 as part ZZ of New York's 2022-2023 Enacted Education, Labor, Family Assistance Health and Mental Hygiene Bill, to create an incentive program for recruiting, retaining, and rewarding health care and mental hygiene workers meeting specified eligibility requirements, and

WHEREAS, the enacted FY 2023 New York State budget authorizes payment of workforce bonuses of up to Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for each eligible health care and mental hygiene worker who provide frontline hands-on care, and

WHEREAS, the HWB program mandates that all private and public entities in the Medicaid program, including counties, pay bonuses to eligible employees as mandated by the statute and New York State Department of Health regulations, and

WHEREAS, upon submission of certain required HWB program forms, monies to pay such bonuses will be allocated to private and public entities in the Medicaid program solely through New York State, and

WHEREAS, the first of several mandatory submission deadlines for eligible employees is September 2, 2022, and failure to submit required submissions may result in state enforced fines, restitution and penalties against such non-filer, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute all documents required to comply with the HWB Program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to make determinations of employee eligibility to ensure compliance with the statute, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors and the County Treasurer are authorized to perform any actions to ensure compliance with the New York State statute, to include payment of bonuses to eligible employees.