

June 6, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 217-2022

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS APPROPRIATING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AT CLIFTON-FINE HOSPITAL, THE GOUVERNEUR AND ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FAIR, AND CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION TO BENEFIT THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND MODIFYING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

By Mr. Reagen, District 1; Mr. Acres, District 8;
Mr. Fay, District 9; and Mr. Arquiett, District 13

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022 Resolution No. 181-2022 adopted the recommendations made by the ARPA Committee regarding the uses of the \$20.9M in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds provided to St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, funds were appropriated associated with infrastructure improvements and the budget requires modification to provide the funding to the following organizations; Clifton-Fine Hospital, the Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair Association, and Cornell Cooperative Extension, and

WHEREAS, of the funds appropriated, \$300,000 has been allocated to the capital project at Clifton-Fine Hospital which will assist in the overall \$2M project to renovate the Emergency Room and imaging available to residents and visitors in the southern portions of the County, and

WHEREAS, the Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair Association is updating and expanding campground availability at the Fairgrounds in Gouverneur and the ability to improve the grounds, and

WHEREAS, the Cornell Cooperative Extension is expanding their kitchen ability by partnering with St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES and Big Spoon Kitchen to build a strong and sustainable Farm-to-School Initiative serving 21 participating school districts across St. Lawrence County and into portions of Lewis and Jefferson Counties,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for the use of ARPA Funds for infrastructure needs at Clifton-Fine Hospital, the Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair, and Cornell Cooperative Extension, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these strategic projects have the potential to be countywide benefits and the goal of the ARPA Committee was to broadly apply funds for an overall county benefit, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2022 Budget, as follows:

