

**CERTIFICATE**  
**Court Facilities Capital Review Board**  
**Dutchess County**

WHEREAS the Governor of New York signed into law Chapter 825 of the Laws of 1987, known as the Court Facilities Act, on August 7, 1987; and

WHEREAS the Court Facilities Act created the Court Facilities Capital Review Board ("Board") pursuant to Section 1680-c of the Public Authorities Law; and

WHEREAS the Governor of New York has duly appointed the members of the Board pursuant to said section; and

WHEREAS the Board is empowered by said section to review and approve overall plans and cost estimates for the design, acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, improvement, furnishing or equipping of facilities of the courts and court-related agencies of the Unified Court System; and

WHEREAS the Court Facilities Act, in Judiciary Law section 219, requires each local government in New York to submit such plans, in the form prescribed by the Chief Administrator of the Courts, for review and approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS in 1989 the County Executive of Dutchess County submitted such a plan in conformance with Judiciary Law section 219 and in the form prescribed by the Chief Administrator of the Courts; and

WHEREAS the Court Facilities Capital Review Board reviewed the Capital Plan submitted by the County Executive and, being satisfied that the facilities to which the Capital Plan relates would be suitable and sufficient for the transaction of business of the Unified Court System, approved said Capital Plan in 1990. This plan would have cost the county \$55.1 million, and the County Legislature did not subsequently approve the financing for the project; and

WHEREAS the County committed itself to a new plan in November of 1993 and approved the necessary financing to implement the plan, which was thereafter approved by the Board in the spring of 1994; and

WHEREAS since 1994, Dutchess County completed rehabilitation of the old City Hall building to house the Commissioner of Jurors, renovation of the five-story courthouse annex, renovation of the county courthouse to accommodate additional chambers, courtrooms, and offices, construction of new prisoner control facilities and a new Family Court building; and

WHEREAS Dutchess County completed additional capital projects at 10 Market Street (housing the Supreme Court, County Court, and Surrogate's Court) including elevator

modernization, installing a new emergency back-up generator, and fire alarm system modernization; and

WHEREAS Dutchess County completed additional capital projects at 50 Market Street (housing the Family Court) including cooling tower replacement, secure access system upgrades, the creation of an additional courtroom, and the relocation of the Children's Center and Law Library; and

WHEREAS Dutchess County is leasing new space at One Civic Center Plaza to house the Commissioner of Jurors building because the current space at 228 Main Street does not meet the needs of the court and cannot accommodate those with mobility, sight, or hearing impairments and is prohibitively expensive to refurbish; and

WHEREAS the court facility at 10 Market Street had a heating system beyond its normal service life, and Dutchess County commissioned a study in October 2016 to evaluate and assess the existing HVAC system. The report recommended full replacement of all systems, equipment, and piping; and

WHEREAS Dutchess County commissioned Setty Associates for \$900,788 to provide engineering and architectural design services to replace the entire HVAC system at the courthouse and awarded the construction contract to Pierotti Corp in the amount of \$27 million and hired Calgi Construction Company as its construction manager for \$803,700; and

WHEREAS the Dutchess County Legislature approved funding for the project by authorizing design and planning costs of \$800,000 in 2016, authorizing construction funding of \$16.6 million in 2019, and authorizing additional construction funding of \$15.3 million in 2023; and

WHEREAS the HVAC replacement will encompass the entire building at 10 Market Street and give the courthouse a new stand-alone heating and ventilation system, along with a new building management system (BMS) to control the functions of the modernized HVAC system. The replacement project will address the existing mold and insufficient heating/cooling at the courthouse; and

WHEREAS Dutchess County will be paying for the capital project by issuing bonds, with no additional federal or state grants or aid contributions; and

WHEREAS on August 29, 2025, by letter along with supporting documents, Dutchess County submitted its revised Capital Plan amendment for previous capital work and the current HVAC replacement project; and

WHEREAS the Ninth Judicial District Administrative Office, local court administrators, and the Office of Court Administration's (OCA) architectural staff participated in the development and review of the project and recommend its approval; and

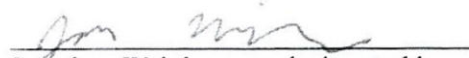
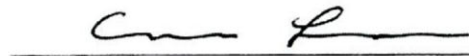
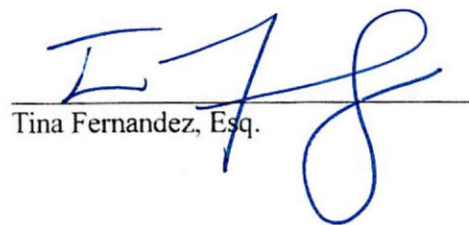
WHEREAS the construction commenced on June 2024 and is scheduled to be completed by August 2028, and the project complies with New York State building code, ADA requirements, environmental laws, regulations, and ordinances, Court Facility guidelines, Unified Court System and local law enforcement security requirements, and OCA's technology requirements; and

NOW BE IT CERTIFIED that the Board has reviewed the Capital Plan amendment submitted by Dutchess County on August 29, 2025, and finding that the completed past capital projects, HVAC replacement project, and leasing of One Civic Center Plaza as the Commissioner of Jurors building submitted as a Capital Plan amendment are necessary for a suitable and sufficient court facility for the transaction of business of the Unified Court System, hereby approves the Capital Plan amendment, as set forth in this Certificate.

WITNESSETH, this 25th day of September, 2025, on behalf of the Court Facilities Capital Review Board:



Hon. Norman St. George, Chair

  
Jonathan Weinberg, as designated by  
Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal  
Assemblymember Charles Lavine  
Tina Fernandez, Esq.