

CERTIFICATE
Court Facilities Capital Review Board
City of Mount Vernon

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 1988 the Mayor of the City of Mount Vernon 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 Mayor of the City of Mount Vernon 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 on December 20, 1988; and

WHEREAS since at least 2014, there have been issues with roof leaks in the Mount Vernon City Court, which has resulted in ceiling tile stains and damage to court files and resources; and

WHEREAS an architectural design and engineering firm completed a report concluding that the Mount Vernon City Court needed immediate repairs to address problems with the roof; and

WHEREAS the City Comptroller was authorized to allocate funds to address emergency repairs, and the City has entered into contracts with Weathertight and NuVista to conduct emergency repairs to the roof; and

WHEREAS the roof repairs include weatherproofing the building, adding insulation, and improving the structural integrity to mitigate ongoing water infiltration issues; and

WHEREAS the City of Mount Vernon will pay for the emergency roof repairs through funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, at a total cost of \$1,320,750; and

WHEREAS on February 16, 2025, by letter along with supporting documents, the City of Mount Vernon submitted its revised Capital Plan amendment for the roof repair project; and

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

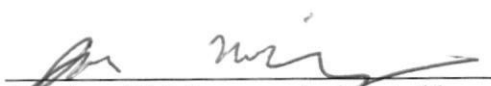
WHEREAS the emergency roof repairs will address structural and mechanical deficiencies to extend the facility's lifespan; improve safety and security for police, court personnel, and court users; restore and enhance facility accessibility and operational efficiency; and ensure compliance with building codes and environmental standards; and

WHEREAS updates to the Heating Venting Air Conditioning (HVAC) system and elevators are necessary to improve the condition of the courthouse; and

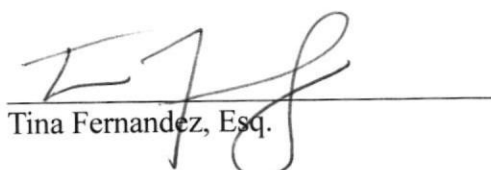
NOW BE IT CERTIFIED that the Board has reviewed the Capital Plan submitted by the City of Mount Vernon on February 16, 2025, and finding that the proposed roof repair submitted as a Capital Plan amendment is necessary for a suitable and sufficient court facility for the transaction of business of the Unified Court System, hereby approves the Capital Plan amendment, subject to further amendment to address updates to the HVAC system and the elevators, as set forth in this Certificate.

WITNESSETH, this 29th day of April, 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.