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Committee Mtg \_\_\_\_\_ Resolution # \_\_\_\_\_  
Introduced By \_\_\_\_\_ Regular Mtg \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_ Special Mtg \_\_\_\_\_

**RECONSIDERATION/ 2024 BUDGET RESOLUTION #209 OF 2023/ BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
- PRINTING & FORMS/ VETOED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**RESOLVED, that the County Executive's veto of Budget Resolution #209 of 2023 increasing the Board of Elections' Printing & Forms line #10145000 54311 from \$100,000 to \$150,000, after Legislative reconsideration, is hereby overridden.**

Legislator Addonizio \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Castellano \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Crowley \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Ellner \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Gouldman \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Montgomery \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Nacerino \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Sayegh \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Jonke \_\_\_\_\_

PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Resolution #209

Introduced by Legislator: Paul Jonke on behalf of the Budget & Finance Committee at a Special Meeting held on October 30, 2023.

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**Board of Elections**

**Printing & Forms**

(Due to Possibility of Additional Election)

10145000 54311

**FROM:**

**100,000**

**TO:**

**150,000**

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 50,000**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

State of New York

ss:

County of Putnam



I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution passed by the Putnam County Legislature while in session on October 30, 2023.

Dated: November 2, 2023

Signed: Diane Schonfeld

**Diane Schonfeld**  
Clerk of the Legislature of Putnam County

**Message from County Executive Kevin M. Byrne**

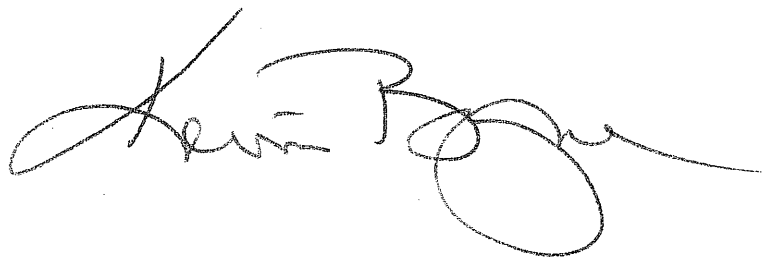
Resolution # 209

**VETO/ \$50,000 Adjustment in Printing & Forms  
(Board of Elections)**

This modification made by the Legislature was discussed in the Rules Budget Committee Meeting on October 11, 2023, and the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting on October 19, 2023. Upon further discussion with both Commissioners of the Board of Elections (BOE) in which they shared additional information that had not been presented at the initial department budget meeting, I agree with the Legislature that additional funding to support the printing & forms budget line during the 2024 Presidential Election year is indeed warranted. However, a 50% increase to this line is unprecedented and the BOE was unable to provide adequate details to the Legislature during the Budget & Finance Committee Meeting or to the Administration on how they formulated this number.

I have since discussed this specific budget item with both Commissioners of the Board of Elections. Based on their projections, as an alternative, they shared that they would feel comfortable with a \$25,000 increase to this line, instead of \$50,000, which would still allow them to adequately prepare for the 2024 Elections.

In lieu of Putnam County's Charter not affording the County Executive the power of exercising a line-item reduction veto, I am vetoing this modification in its entirety. This will have the effect of bringing the budgeted line back to the amount budgeted in the 2024 Tentative Budget. I would like to express my support for a subsequent budgetary amendment by the Legislature that would increase the line by \$25,000 (instead of \$50,000) from the General Fund as an alternative and generate \$25,000 in savings.



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PUTNAM COUNTY  
CARMEL, IN

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Introduced By \_\_\_\_\_ Regular Mtg \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_ Special Mtg \_\_\_\_\_

**RECONSIDERATION/ 2024 BUDGET RESOLUTION #213 OF 2023/ CORONERS 2.75% COLA INCREASE/ VETOED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**RESOLVED, that the County Executive's veto of Budget Resolution #213 of 2023 providing a 2.75% COLA increase for the Coroners, after Legislative reconsideration, is hereby overridden.**

Legislator Addonizio \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Castellano \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Crowley \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Ellner \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Gouldman \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Montgomery \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Nacerino \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Sayegh \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Jonke \_\_\_\_\_

PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Resolution #213

Introduced by Legislator: Paul Jonke on behalf of the Budget & Finance Committee at a Special Meeting held on October 30, 2023.

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**Coroners**

	FROM:	TO:
<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (101)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,688</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 688**

<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (102)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,688</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 688**

<b>Coroner</b> <b>10118500 51000 (103)</b> (2.75% COLA Increase)	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,688</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 688**

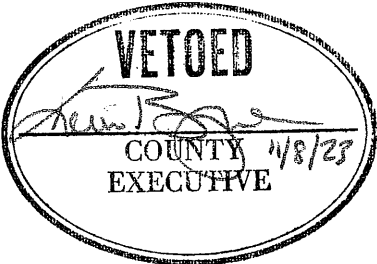
<b>FICA</b> <b>10118500 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>159</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 159**

**A TOTAL DIFFERENCE OF: 2,223**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY & MONTGOMERY. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR ELLNER. MOTION CARRIES.**



State of New York  
ss:  
County of Putnam

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Dated: November 2, 2023

Signed: *Diane Schonfeld*

**Diane Schonfeld**  
Clerk of the Legislature of Putnam County

**Message from County Executive Kevin M. Byrne**

Resolutions # 213

**VETO/ Salary Increase for Elected Officials  
(Coroners)**

As stated during my budget presentation on October 5, 2023, I committed to the residents of Putnam County that, within my ability, I would not raise pay for elected officials. That is why the 2024 Tentative Budget had no merit increases or cost of living adjustments for the elected offices of County Executive, Sheriff, Clerk, District Attorney, or County Coroners.

Again, this decision is in no way a value judgement on the performance of our elected officials; all of whom I have great respect for and appreciate the work they do on behalf of the residents of Putnam County.

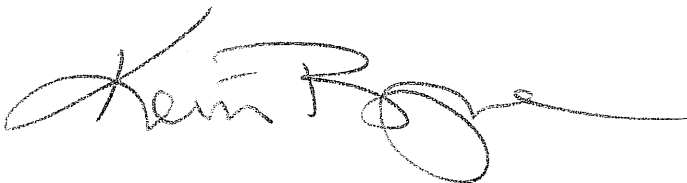
This Administration recognizes the very real financial challenges many residents face as they struggle to support their families and navigate through sky-high inflation, record setting interest rates, and overall economic uncertainty. Due to many of these same challenges the cost of government has grown, and eliminating pay raises for elected officials demonstrates our awareness of that hardship and helps solidify the County's commitment to a fiscally sound budget.

I also find it unfair to include pay raises for elected officials while we are still actively negotiating contracts with various collective bargaining units. Many of these collective bargaining units report directly to our County-wide elected officials who are part of the negotiating process. Any contract that is negotiated and agreed upon will ultimately need to be approved by the Legislature.

It is worth reiterating that the 2024 Tentative Budget for the Legislature was submitted by the Legislature, not the County Executive. The County Charter clearly states that the Tentative Budget for the Legislature "shall not be modified by the County Executive". This therefore prevents any raises provided to members of the Legislature within their Tentative Budget from becoming subject to an executive veto.

I do not find the adjustments made by the Legislature for salary increases presented in Resolutions 213, 214, 215 to be justified and therefore **VETO** this modification made by the Legislature. Removing the modification made by Resolution #213 generates \$2,223 in savings and when combined with resolutions 214 and 215 generates a total of \$11,405 in savings.

I am willing to revisit this issue in the future after all union contracts are agreed to.



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PUTNAM COUNTY  
CARMEL, NY

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Introduced By \_\_\_\_\_ Regular Mtg \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_ Special Mtg \_\_\_\_\_

**RECONSIDERATION/ 2024 BUDGET RESOLUTION #214 OF 2023/ COUNTY CLERK 2.75% COLA INCREASE/ VETOED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**RESOLVED, that the County Executive's veto of Budget Resolution #214 of 2023 providing a 2.75% COLA increase for the County Clerk, after Legislative reconsideration, is hereby overridden.**

Legislator Addonizio \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Castellano \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Crowley \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Ellner \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Gouldman \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Montgomery \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Nacerino \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Sayegh \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Jonke \_\_\_\_\_



PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Resolution #214

Introduced by Legislator: Paul Jonke on behalf of the Budget & Finance Committee at a Special Meeting held on October 30, 2023.

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County Clerk

	FROM:	TO:
County Clerk 10141000 51000 (101) (2.75% COLA Increase)	144,343	148,312
FICA 10141000 58002	0	304

A DIFFERENCE OF: 4,273

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY & MONTGOMERY. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR ELLNER. MOTION CARRIES.



State of New York  
ss:  
County of Putnam

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**Message from County Executive Kevin M. Byrne**

Resolutions # 214

**VETO/ Salary Increase for Elected Officials  
(County Clerk)**

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This Administration recognizes the very real financial challenges many residents face as they struggle to support their families and navigate through sky-high inflation, record setting interest rates, and overall economic uncertainty. Due to many of these same challenges the cost of government has grown, and eliminating pay raises for elected officials demonstrates our awareness of that hardship and helps solidify the County's commitment to a fiscally sound budget.

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I do not find the adjustments made by the Legislature for salary increases presented in Resolutions 213, **214**, 215 to be justified and therefore **VETO** this modification made by the Legislature. Removing the modification made by Resolution #214 generates \$4,273 in savings and when combined with resolutions 213 and 215 generates a total of \$11,405 in savings.

I am willing to revisit this issue in the future after all union contracts are agreed to.



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Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_ Special Mtg \_\_\_\_\_

**RECONSIDERATION/ 2024 BUDGET RESOLUTION #215 OF 2023/ PUTNAM COUNTY  
SHERIFF 2.75% COLA INCREASE/ VETOED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**RESOLVED, that the County Executive's veto of Budget Resolution #215 of 2023  
providing a 2.75% COLA increase for the Putnam County Sheriff, after Legislative  
reconsideration, is hereby overridden.**

Legislator Addonizio \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislator Castellano \_\_\_\_\_  
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Chairman Jonke \_\_\_\_\_

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**Sheriff's Department – Administration**

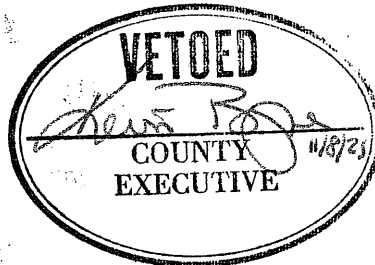
	FROM:	TO:
<b><u>Sheriff</u></b>		
<b>10311000 51000 (101)</b>	<b>165,816</b>	<b>170,376</b>
(2.75% COLA Increase)		
<b>FICA</b>		
<b>10311000 58002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>349</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 4,909**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: SIX AYES. TWO NAYS – LEGISLATORS CROWLEY & MONTGOMERY. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR ELLNER. MOTION CARRIES.**

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(Sheriff's Office)**

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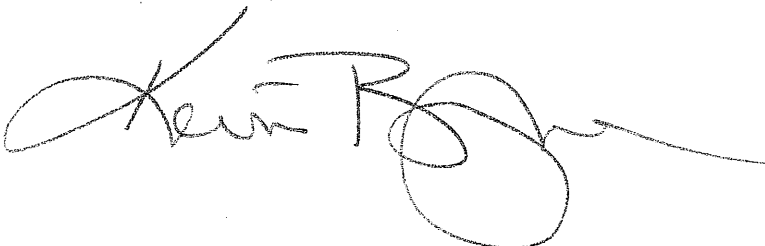
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