PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION NO. 2025007

RE: APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM BEALE AS ACTING COMMISSIONER OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Legislators FAUST, TRUITT, HOUSTON, POLASEK, GORMAN, D'AQUANNI, PAOLONI, VERSACI, and CASWELL offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.04 of the Dutchess County Charter, the County Executive appointed William Beale as temporary Acting Commissioner of Emergency Response effective Friday, January 3, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. for a period of 40 days, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has requested that Mr. Beale's appointment be extended after that 40-day period until such time as a successor is selected and confirmed, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.04 of the Dutchess County Charter, this Legislature has the authority to extend Mr. Beale's appointment, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that William Beale's appointment as Acting Commissioner of Emergency Response is extended until such time as a successor is selected and confirmed.

CA-009-25
CEB/rjw
G-0148-A
1/3/2025
Fiscal Impact: See Attached

APPROVED
Susan J. Serino
SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date 1/22/2025

STATE OF NEW YORK
ss:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 21st day of January 2025, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 21st day of January 2025.

DUTCHESS COUNTY SEAL

Leigh Wager

LEIGH WAGER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☐ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost $ _____

Total Current Year Revenue $ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds *(check one)*: ☑ Existing Appropriations, ☐ Contingency,
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations, ☐ Additional Appropriations, ☐ Other *(explain)*.

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount $ _____
Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____
Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:

Following the resignation of Commissioner of Emergency Reponse, the County Executive has determined that William Beale is qualified to perform the duties as Acting Commissioner of Emergency Response until such time that a permanent secessor can be appointed and confirmed by the Legislature. The vacancy savings in the Commissioner role will offset the cost of the increase for William Beale during this time.

Prepared by: Rachel Kashimer, Deputy County Executive Prepared On: 1/2/25

SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
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DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT

December 23, 2024

Mr. Bradford Kendall
Dutchess County Clerk
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Dear County Clerk Kendall:

I hereby appoint William Beale temporarily as Acting Commissioner of Emergency Response effective Friday, January 3rd at 4:00PM.

Per the Dutchess County Charter, this appointment is effective for a period of 40 days. During such time, either a successor will be selected and confirmed, or a resolution will be submitted to the Dutchess County Legislature to extend this acting appointment.

Bill's track record of proven leadership and dedicated service makes him the ideal individual to serve in this capacity and I have full confidence in his ability to lead the Department of Emergency Response during this time.

Sincerely,

Sue Serino

Sue Serino
Dutchess County Executive

C: William Beale
Leigh Wager, Clerk of the Legislature

William H. Beale

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Master of Public Administration
Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY
May, 2015

B.S., Organizational Leadership & Communication
Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY
May, 2012

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE

Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response **April, 2014 - present**

Director of Emergency Management / County Emergency Manager

- Develop and administer county's comprehensive emergency management plan
- Respond to disaster scenes and major emergencies and provide county coordination
- Oversee and operate county-wide emergency operations center and maintain state of county readiness
- Responsible for county-wide sourcing and distribution of personal protective equipment during COVID-19

December, 2003 – April, 2014

Deputy Fire Coordinator / Assistant Division Chief – Fire Investigation Division

- National Pro Board Certified Fire Investigator - New York State Certified Fire Investigator Level II - #750002-0405-0015
- New York State Fire Academy Graduate – Fire/Arson Investigation Academy, June 2004
- Multi-jurisdictional investigative experience with FBI, ATF, State Police, County Sheriff, local police and fire departments
- Expert witness testimony has led to two arson convictions resulting in incarceration
- Investigations include Fairview Triple Fatal ('12), Bethel Baptist Church ('08), Fishkill Quintuple Arson-Homicide ('06)
- Promoted to Deputy Fire Coordinator / Assistant Division Chief, February, 2012.

Town of Wappinger **January, 2007 - present**

Councilman – Ward 1

- Elected in 2006, Re-elected in 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023
- Deputy Town Supervisor – 2008 – 2012 and 2016 – 2017 and 2022 – 2023; Interim Town Supervisor – August, 2011
  - Assumed responsibility for town-wide emergency response during February, 2010 snow storms including establishing a shelter and coordinating emergency responders through county, town, and village government resources
- Municipal government budget preparation and administration, including cost control efficiency experience
- Voting Delegate/Alternate, New York State Association of Towns Conference & Training School, 2007 thru 2015
- Received Greater Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce "Top 40 Under 40" Mover & Shaker Award – February, 2009
- Inducted in the Dutchess Community College Alumni Hall of Fame – March, 2016

Hughsonville Fire Department (volunteer) **July, 1992 - present**

Past Chief of Department / Past Company President / Deputy Fire Chief

- Deputy Fire Chief, 2023, 2024 - District Duty Captain, *2020, 2021, 2022*
- Chief of Department, *2001- 2002* / Assistant Chief, *2000*
- Company Captain, *1999* – Emergency Medical Services Lieutenant, *2003-2019*
- New York State Certified Emergency Medical Technician, *1996 - present*
- Served twenty terms as Company President – *Longest serving President in Fire Company history*
- Member, Dutchess County Fire Chiefs Council & New York State Association of Fire Chiefs
- Dutchess County VFA Award for Heroism, *2001* / Lifesaving Commendations in *2000, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2013*
- Exchange Club of Southern Dutchess County "Hero" Award for saving the life of an infant, 2013

BUSINESS & COMMUNICATION EXPERIENCE

Pamal Broadcasting, Ltd. ***WSPK / WHUD / WBPM / WBNR / WLNA / WGHQ*** **June, 2002 - present**

On Air Personality & Morning Radio Co-Host

- On Air Personality – Swing/Various Dayparts, *June, 2002 – Present*
- Morning Co-Host & Associate Producer, *"Woodman in the Morning" - April, 2009 – present * Rated #1 Mornings*
- Morning Co-Host & Associate Producer, *"Chris Marino & The K104 Morning Show" - August, 2006 – March, 2009*
- Stage Manager and Onstage Coordinator, "K-Fest" 2011-2016, "Not So Silent Night" 2010-2015

BILL BEALE PRODUCTIONS, LLC **August, 1992 – present**

President / Master of Ceremonies

- Specializing in Upscale Event Entertainment serving the entire tri-state area – over one thousand events hosted
- Master of Ceremonies, Dutchess County St. Patrick's Parade; *1998-present* – Largest Parade in Dutchess County
- Member, National Association of Mobile Entertainers; *1999 – present*

Public Safety Roll Call

District	*Name*	*Yes*	*No*
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt*	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston*		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*		
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler		
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci		
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust (C)		
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago	Absent	
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Garito		
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison (VC)		

Present: 11 Resolution: ✓ Total : 11 0

Absent: 1 Motion: ____ Yes No

Vacant: 0 Abstentions: 0

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Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith	Absent	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins		
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Gorman		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece		
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson	Absent	
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger		
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Paoloni		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci	Absent	
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Page	Absent	
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago		
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Garito		
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison		
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House		

Present: 21 **Resolution:** ✓ **Total :** 21 0

Absent: 4 **Motion:** ____ **Yes** **No**

Vacant: 0 **Abstentions:** 0

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JANUARY 21, 2025