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ACS STATEMENT ON AGREEMENT WITH NUNEZ MONITOR AT HORIZON JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

NEW YORK, NY – ACS Commissioner David A. Hansell today released a statement on the agreement with the Nunez monitoring team at Horizon Juvenile Detention Center:

"Our top priority is the safety and well-being of youth and staff in our juvenile detention centers and that's why we voluntarily agreed to continue to partner with the Nunez team to get their insights through providing technical assistance and monitoring compliance. Through this Agreement, focusing on collaboration, consultation, dialogue and partnering along with compliance monitoring, we can continue to tap into the vast expertise of the monitors to strengthen services for youth at Horizon. We appreciate that all parties have agreed to avoid unnecessary litigation that would have been counterproductive to our work enhancing services for youth. We look forward to our continued work with the monitors through June 2022, as we strive to deepen best practices and offer interventions that promote positive outcomes."

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