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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 5 - IC

RESOLUTION THANKING THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE FOR MAKING HEROIN AND OPIOID ABUSE PREVENTION A TOP PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND MENTAL HEALTH PRIORITY IN NEW YORK STATE IN 2016

WHEREAS, Communities across the nation and New York State are seeing a dramatic use of heroin and opioid abuse; and

WHEREAS, Between 2005-2014 heroin treatment admissions among upstate New York residents increased by 115% and admissions on Long Island increased by 116%, according to the NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services; and

WHEREAS, Heroin and opioid abuse and addiction does not discriminate: it can happen in any household, in any family, in any neighborhood, and in any community; and

WHEREAS, The illegal use, addiction and abuse of heroin and opioids affect many areas of county government ranging from public safety, public health, mental health and corrections; and

WHEREAS, Opioid and heroin addiction often starts from the dependence of such painkillers as Oxycodone, OxyContin and Percocet; and

WHEREAS, When prescription opioids become too expensive and difficult to obtain, opioid addicted individuals often turn to heroin, which is more readily available and much cheaper to obtain; and

WHEREAS, The opioid and heroin addiction have reached crisis proportions and the Federal Government, New York State and several counties have begun programs designed to combat the illegal use of these drugs; and

WHEREAS, In order to help monitor the growing problem with heroin and opioids, in 2013 the state instituted the Internet System for Tracking Over-Prescribing (ISTOP) and the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) to prevent prescription opioid abuse by tracking the prescribing and dispensing of controlled prescription drugs to patients; and

WHEREAS, In 2014, Attorney General Schneiderman established the Community Overdoses Prevention (COP) program that gives eligible law enforcement agencies funding for access to naloxone, which is also known as naran; and

WHEREAS, By leveraging \$5 million of funds appropriated from crime seizure monies through the 2014/15 Enacted State Budget, the Attorney General provided funding to offset the cost of a “naloxone kit” for every sworn officer in the state; and

WHEREAS, In addition, during the 2014 Legislative Session the Senate, Assembly and Governor worked together to sign a comprehensive package of bills that ensure treatment for those affected by addiction, prevents the spread of drug use, and gives law enforcement the tools they may need to curb this growing epidemic; and

WHEREAS, In July of 2015, the U.S Centers for Disease Control (CDC) released a study showing the continued increase in heroin use and overdose deaths; and

WHEREAS, The CDC report showed from 2002-2004, 379,000 Americans reported using heroin within a 12-month period, a statistic that nearly doubled by 2011-12, when the number increased to 663,000 Americans reporting using the drug; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State* thanks the Governor and the State Legislature for making heroin and opioid abuse a top public safety, public health and mental health priority in the state in 2016; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Association Secretary to Governor Cuomo, Senator Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten E. Gillibrand, New York State Association of Counties, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, and Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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This is to Certify that I, Karen R. DeMay, the undersigned Secretary of the Inter County Association of Western New York, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office and which was duly adopted by the Association at a session held on the 18th day of March 2016, and that the same is a true copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the official seal of the Inter County Association of Western New York dated March 21, 2016.



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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 6 - IC RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO ENACT CHANGES TO BECOME REAL ID COMPLIANT

WHEREAS, The REAL ID Act was enacted in 2005 on the 9/11 Commission's recommendation that the Federal Government "set standards for the issuance of sources of identification"; and

WHEREAS, The Act established minimum security standards for state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards, and prohibited Federal agencies from accepting for official purposes licenses and identification cards from states that do not meet these standards; and

WHEREAS, The Act is intended to increase public safety within the United States and improve travel security; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Division of Homeland Security, starting January 22, 2018, passengers who have driver's licenses issued by a state that is not yet compliant with REAL ID, and that state has not received an extension will need to show an alternative form of acceptable identification for domestic air travel; and

WHEREAS, Starting October 1, 2020, every air traveler will need to present a REAL ID-compliant license or another acceptable form of identification for domestic air travel; and

WHEREAS, 52 counties run DMV offices and serve agents for the state, providing drivers' licenses and other forms of identification; and

WHEREAS, Driver license applications processed at county DMVs provide an opportunity for New Yorkers to register as organ and tissue donors; and

WHEREAS, County officials are aware of the growing concern with their residents that New York State must make multiple changes to state issued identification documents, including drivers' licenses, to increase security and become REAL ID compliant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, urges the Governor and the State Legislature to develop a plan and set aside resources so the state can implement necessary changes to state issued identification as soon as practicable in order to become fully compliant with REAL ID and increase safety and security throughout the state; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Association Secretary to Governor Cuomo, Senator Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten E. Gillibrand, New York State Association of Counties, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, and Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 7 - IC RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE SHARE OF REVENUE COUNTIES RETAIN FOR PROVIDING STATE DMV SERVICES

WHEREAS, 52 of the 62 New York Counties are mandated by the State to operate a local Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Office; and

WHEREAS, Under current law the State of New York takes 87.3% of all fees collected from the work performed by the county operated DMV's; and

WHEREAS, The remaining 12.7% county share has not been increased since 1999, yet the amount of work required by the local DMV offices has increased in that same time period; and

WHEREAS, The Governor and the State Legislature have repeatedly stated that lowering the property tax burden on local residents is a key priority; and

WHEREAS, Increasing the county DMV revenue sharing rate will provide counties with needed revenue to continue to provide necessary local government services and reduce pressure on property taxes without increasing costs or fees to local residents; and

WHEREAS, There is a clear inequity present when a county DMV provides all the services, including overhead and staffing needs, to fulfill these DMV services needed for state residents, yet the State takes 87.3% of the revenue generated from providing these services; and

WHEREAS, The State Senate recognized this inequity placed on counties and attempted to reduce the burden of local property taxpayers by overwhelmingly passing Senator Patty Richie's bill S.4964, which would raise the 12.7% county share up to a 25% share; and

WHEREAS, Counties recognize the important function of the state DMV in providing both support to counties and resident services; accordingly, any loss in the state DMV operational budget that occurs from an increased county revenue should be made whole through the State General Fund; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and members of the state Legislature to require a substantial increase of the county DMV revenue share with the State; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 8 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING NEW YORK STATE TO CONSOLIDATE THE FEDERAL AND STATE PRIMARIES AND COVER THE ADDED COSTS OF EARLY VOTING

WHEREAS, State Election Law requires that a primary election be held on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September before every general election unless otherwise changed by an act of the legislature; and

WHEREAS, New York must conduct its federal primary election on a date no later than 35 days prior to the 45-day advance deadline set by the Federal Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act for transmitting ballots to the State's military and overseas voters, or at least 80 days before the federal general election; and

WHEREAS, In 2016, New York State must hold a presidential primary in April and a federal primary election for congressional candidates for congressional races on or before August 18th to adhere to the MOVE Act; and

WHEREAS, The federal primary cannot be held on the current State and local primary date in September and remain in compliance with federal election law; and

WHEREAS, Election Law Section 8-100 permits the date of the New York primary to be changed by an act of the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, County boards of elections are responsible for managing election operations, and paying for all or most of the costs of these operations; and

WHEREAS, If the State Legislature fails to move the normal September primary elections to coincide with the federal primary, there will be 3 primary elections in New York in 2016, which will increase costs for county boards of elections; and

WHEREAS, The proposed 2016-17 State Budget requires counties to provide early voting sites for up to 12 days prior to all special, primary, and general elections; and

WHEREAS, The number of early voting polling sites be based on the number of registered voters in each county (no less than one polling site per county, and at least one polling station per 50,000 registered voters, not to exceed 7 sites per county); and

WHEREAS, At the polling places must be open at least 8 hours per weekday (with extended hours at least twice a week) and at least 5 hours per weekend or holiday during the early voting period; and

WHEREAS, The effective date for most of the early voting provisions is April 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The state estimates the cost of implementing early voting to cost counties between \$3-4 million statewide; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls upon Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, and the New York State Legislature to amend Election Law to permit the federal primary election and the New York primary election to be held on the same date; and further

RESOLVED, That if the Governor and the State Legislature do not wish for the federal congressional primary election and the New York State and local primary election to be held on the same day, that New York State absorb the costs of holding the New York primary election; and further

RESOLVED, That if the Governor and State Legislature agree to the early voting provisions proposed in the Executive Budget, then the state must reimburse counties for the added costs of this new mandate; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 9 - IC

RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO REJECT THE PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION ACT OF 2016

WHEREAS, Part R of the Article VII TED budget legislation would require projects financed by local Industrial Development Agencies with tax-exempt private activity bonds subject to the bond volume cap be approved by the Public Authority Control Board (PACB); and

WHEREAS, The PACB was created by Chapter 38 of the Laws of 1976 to monitor and approve state public authority debt in response to a growing amount of state public debt issued by state public authorities, which contributed significantly to the New York State/New York City fiscal crisis of the mid-1970s; and

WHEREAS, The law requires eleven statewide public authorities to receive a resolution of approval from the PACB prior to entering into project-related financings; and

WHEREAS, Tax-exempt private activity bonds issued are the obligation and liability of the borrower, as stated in the agreement contained in the bond documents; and

WHEREAS, In 1986, Congress and the President enacted comprehensive tax reform which limited the amount of tax-exempt private activity bonds that could be issued in a state. The bond volume cap was established as a per capita dollar amount. The law established a 50-50 allocation of tax-exempt private activity bond capacity for statewide and local issuers; and

WHEREAS, New York responded by creating a law that allocated tax-exempt Private Activity Bonds (PAB) according to the following formula: one-third for state issuers; one-third for local issuers (IDAs); and one-third for a bond reserve that could be accessed by state or local issuers should they exhaust their local allocation but still have projects to be financed; and

WHEREAS, Today, the federal formula allocates \$100 times the population of the state, allowing New York just under \$2 Billion in PAB capacity, one third of which is reallocated to local agencies; and

WHEREAS, This formula established state control of its allocation and local control of bond capacity allocated to IDAs; and

WHEREAS, State control over the local allocation casts aside the principle of local control of the local allocation of the state volume cap; and

WHEREAS, These bonds finance very specific types of projects authorized in IRS regulations, including manufacturing, pollution control equipment, waste disposal facilities and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, The bond cap allocation is a vital resource for the City; and

WHEREAS, Over the last two years, the City has financed more than 16,700 affordable apartments across five boroughs using their bond cap allocations; and

WHEREAS, These local projects have no impact on state debt, and language proposed in the Governor's budget would eliminate the principle of local control provided in the current statute, which has operated effectively for 29 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on Governor Cuomo and State Legislature to reject the budget proposal regarding the Private Activity Bond Allocation Act of 2016; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 10 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE TO RESOLVE RECENT FAA CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE DISPOSITION OF AVIATION FUEL SALES TAX RECEIPTS IN A WAY THAT PRESERVES CURRENT LOCAL SALES TAX RECEIPTS AND AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, In November 2014, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued a rule clarifying their policy on existing federal law restricting revenues raised by the State and local taxation of aviation fuel from being diverted to non-aviation uses; and

WHEREAS, The update was intended to make clear that “airport operators that have accepted federal assistance generally may use airport revenues only for airport-related proposes...” and that local taxes on aviation fuel are subject to airport revenue use requirements; and

WHEREAS, The FAA set a December 8, 2015, date for states to submit a plan for meeting the new requirements and New York State officials have requested an extension to April 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, It is expected that meeting the new requirements may impose significant administrative burdens on tracking and accounting for all sales taxes collected on noncommercial aviation fuel and their subsequent reinvestment in aviation uses only; and

WHEREAS, With the state imposed property tax cap limiting local revenue capacity, given up any portion of local sales tax is not an option; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the State to continue working with the FAA and counties to come up with a solution to preserve these local sales tax receipts and local sales tax authority in a way that meets the intent of federal law in the least burdensome way for counties; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 11 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DIVISION OF BUDGET TO PRIORITIZE REIMBURSING COUNTY COSTS FOR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES THAT WERE PROVIDED AND PAID FOR PRIOR TO THE STATE FISCAL AGENT ADMINISTRATIVE TAKEOVER AND REMAIN OUTSTANDING

WHEREAS, Prior to 2013, counties funded 100% of the cost of the state's Early Intervention Program and then sought reimbursement beginning in the following county fiscal year as required under state law; and

WHEREAS, The state implemented a State Fiscal Agent administrative model in April 2013 that centralized billing and contracting at the state level, rather than at the county level; and

WHEREAS, Due to limitations of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) New York Early Intervention System (NYEIS) system, and inaccuracies in reporting and data that continue since its launch in 2010, counties have sought to settle these outstanding reimbursements for almost three years, but are reliant on the NYSDOH to provide data to identify the exact claims outstanding; and

WHEREAS, NYSDOH and a special work group of counties that has been in place for over two years, has made minimal progress due to a lack of dedicating resources and prioritizing the issue by NYSDOH; and

WHEREAS, This initial work is finding that up to 20% of claims submitted by counties for state share reimbursement remain outstanding after several years for a variety of NYEIS computer system technical problems; and

WHEREAS, Some of these unreimbursed claims are nearly five years old; and

WHEREAS, Counties estimate that tens of millions of dollars remain unreimbursed by the state as a result; and

WHEREAS, counties cannot afford to wait any longer for reimbursement from the state, while also trying to maintain the state imposed property tax cap; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the Department of Health and the Division of Budget to dedicate the resources to the repayment of these outstanding claims to all counties including New York City a top priority with payments issued in the first quarter of the 2016-17 State Fiscal Year; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 12 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DIVISION OF BUDGET TO REQUIRE PROVIDERS TO MAXIMIZE REIMBURSEMENT FROM ALL THIRD-PARTY PAYERS

WHEREAS, prior to 2013, counties funded 100% of the cost of the state’s Early Intervention Program and then sought reimbursement beginning in the following county fiscal year as required under state law; and

WHEREAS, The state implemented a State Fiscal Agent administrative model in April 2013 that centralized billing and contracting at the state level, rather than at the county level; and

WHEREAS, The State Fiscal Agent used their own administrative and reimbursement information technology system to collect funds from counties and make payments to providers due to limitations with the New York State Department of Health’s Early Intervention System (NYEIS); and

WHEREAS, Counties cannot afford to wait any longer for reimbursement from the state, while also trying to maintain the state imposed property tax cap; and

WHEREAS, Recent problems have arisen under the State Fiscal Agent platform related to service providers filing for payment from insurance companies in the first instance as the law requires and a lack of follow through by providers when insurers ask for more information; and

WHEREAS, Any extensive delay in providing such information to insurance companies can result in a denial by the insurance company due to untimely filing, these claims then fall to the state and counties to pay; and

WHEREAS, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, commends the Governor’s budget proposals for timely provider claims to enforce current insurance regulations regarding payment of Early Intervention service claims and attempt to increase commercial insurance collections; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That That *Inter County Association* calls on New York State to implement policies and procedures to ensure that provider claims are filed in a timely manner to commercial insurance providers and Medicaid; and further

RESOLVED, The State Fiscal Agent must implement systematic changes to the billing system to track claims and, as outlined in the state Early Intervention reform proposal, ensure providers exhaust all appeals in a timely manner before moving on to the next payer of record; and further

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 13 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO GRADUALLY ELIMINATE THE COUNTY FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND SUMMER SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, Chapter 23 of the Laws of 1989 established the Preschool Program for Children with Handicapping Conditions as 4410 of the Education Law; and

WHEREAS, the original law included a provision to limit the county fiscal responsibility to 25% by the 1993-94 school year; and

WHEREAS, a gubernatorial statewide task force on reforming preschool special education determined that counties should be removed completely from financing the state's preschool special education program; and

WHEREAS, we commend the Governor and New York State Legislature for the recent reimbursement reforms, including SEIS regional rates, in the preschool special education program; and

WHEREAS, the State has enacted legislation to provide universal prekindergarten for all four year old children in New York State to be financed 100% with state resources; and

WHEREAS, the State also requires counties to support 10% of summer school special education 4408 program costs for all children; and

WHEREAS, the fact that other states do not require county government to pay for these special education expenses and the failure of New York State to fully fund its promised share of preschool special education program costs contributes directly to New York's highest in the nation property tax burden; and

WHEREAS, over the last decade the failure of the state to fund these costs has shifted more than \$1.5 billion to county property taxpayers, exceeding \$250 million annually today, raising costs for homeowners and small business throughout New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls upon Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature to implement a plan to gradually remove counties from the fiscal responsibility of paying for preschool and summer school special education programs; and further

RESOLVED, The first phase should include capping county fiscal liability for preschool special education at no more than what each county paid in 2013 and then implementing a three-year plan to incrementally reduce the county fiscal liability for this program to no more than 25% as intended at the inception of the program to help reduce pressure on property taxes; and further

RESOLVED, The second phase should gradually reduce the county fiscal responsibility to zero for both preschool and summer school special education costs; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 14 - IC

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING RABIES PREVENTION ACROSS THE STATE AND PROVIDING APPROPRIATE FUNDING NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL

WHEREAS, Rabies is a deadly disease caused by a virus that attacks the central nervous system, and is almost always fatal once symptoms appear; and

WHEREAS, Rabies is most often seen among wild animals such as raccoons, bats, skunks, and foxes; and infected mammals can transmit the rabies virus to humans and other mammals including cattle, cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, The first signs of a rabies infection is usually change in an animal's behavior, an animal may become aggressive or tame, it may lose its fear of humans, or froth at the mouth; and

WHEREAS, Without vaccination dairy farms are at great risk when sending their cattle out to pasture where they could come in contact with rabid animals; and

WHEREAS, Rabies vaccination shots are expensive and can cost farms thousands of dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, Losing a single animal can be a significant financial burden for a farmer; and

WHEREAS, Luckily, humans are typically only exposed to rabies when an infected animal bites them, or when saliva from an infected animal enters an open cut or mucous membrane such as one's eyes, nose or mouth, but those who work on farms are at a greater risk of contracting rabies if working with unvaccinated livestock; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the Governor to increase funding available to counties for rabies awareness and vaccination in the 2016-17 state budget; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 15 - IC

RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE NYS OFFICE OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO IMPLEMENT A PROCESS OF TRANSPARENCY, INFORMATION-SHARING AND COLLABORATION WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (LGUs) TO ENSURE THE ADEQUACY OF COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHO ARE BEING TRANSITIONED FROM INSTITUTIONAL SETTINGS INTO THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Under *Olmstead v. L.C.*, the United States Supreme Court held that unjustified segregation of people with disabilities constitutes discrimination in violation of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and public entities must provide services in the most integrated setting appropriate to a person’s needs; and

WHEREAS, In order to comply with the *Olmstead* Decision, the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) is implementing a comprehensive Transformation Agenda to enable self-direction and move people to the most integrated settings, including transitioning people with developmental disabilities to the community from state-operated Developmental Centers; and

WHEREAS, The implementation of OPWDD’s Transformation Agenda represents a major shift in the structure of the service delivery system for OPWDD from institutional care in Developmental Centers to community-based care for people with developmental disabilities with complex needs; and

WHEREAS, To implement this major shift to community-based care, new services need to be developed and funded in the community to successfully and safely transition people with developmental disabilities from institutional to community settings; and

WHEREAS, Article 41 of the Mental Hygiene Law charges the Local Governmental Unit (LGU) with the responsibility for the planning, development, implementation and oversight of the system of services for individuals with mental illness, substance use disorders and developmental disabilities who are living in the community; and

WHEREAS, In order to identify and meet the service needs of people with developmental disabilities (as well as with mental illness and substance use disorders) the Local Governmental Unit is required to conduct a comprehensive local services planning process which is reliant on both data and the input of local consumers, family members, advocates, service providers and state agency representatives; and

WHEREAS, OPWDD is not sharing information and working collaboratively with the LGUs to ensure that adequate community-based programs and services are available to meet the needs of people with developmental disabilities before they are transitioned into the community from institutional settings; and

WHEREAS, When the Office of Mental Health (OMH) began downsizing the state psychiatric centers, OMH used a transparent, data-informed process, involved the LGUs and community stakeholders in the planning and development of needed services, and invested funding for those services prior to transitioning individuals into the community from state facilities; and

WHEREAS, OPWDD should adopt a model of collaboration with the LGUs, families and other stakeholders to facilitate a transparent process to ensure services are available in the community to successfully transition individuals with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, LGUs are ready to partner with OPWDD and community organizations to deliver needed services to people with developmental disabilities who are transitioning from institutional to community settings; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the Governor and the Office of People With Developmental Disabilities to develop a transparent process, share detailed information and collaborate with the Local Governmental Units to ensure that adequate services are funded and available for individuals with developmental disabilities who are transitioning from an institutional setting into the community; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 16 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING NEW YORK STATE TO FULLY FUND ALL COSTS RELATED TO RAISING THE AGE OF CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ENSURE THAT ANY STATUTORY OR ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES FULLY RECOGNIZE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LOCALLY ELECTED DISTRICT ATTORNEYS TO PROMOTE PUBLIC SAFETY, MAINTAIN VICTIMS' RIGHTS AND ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, The Governor is prioritizing fundamental reform of the juvenile justice system in New York State, including a statutory change to the age of criminal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Structural changes to raising the age of criminal responsibility will require a significant investment in services based on a children and families social services model; and

WHEREAS, These services will produce the need for job-training skills, high school equivalency education, transportation, drug and alcohol treatment, family and individual counseling, coordinated mental health services, case management, and other interventions resulting in higher expenses; and

WHEREAS, Many regions of the state currently do not have adequate capacity to provide such services in their local communities; and

WHEREAS, The state currently caps funding for foster care and youth detention, and also limits reimbursement for other child welfare and probation costs, resulting in a significant unfunded mandate on counties which will grow worse if the state changes the age of criminal responsibility while not also providing full funding to alleviate these new costs; and

WHEREAS, Locally elected district attorneys are responsible for protecting the public safety, maintaining victim's rights and ensuring accountability for all in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney's Association of the State of New York has provided recommendations to state legislative leaders on their proposals to reform the juvenile justice system including; 1) providing local prosecutorial consent for the removal of all violent felonies and some non-violent felonies from criminal court to family court, 2) not allowing adjustment for violent and serious non-violent felonies, 3) any new presumption for granting youthful offender status should be limited to certain classes of non-violent felony offenses, 4) reduced sentencing should not be offered for certain violent crimes and 5) ensuring that some level of secure detention options be maintained for certain cases; and

WHEREAS, These recommendations are intended to preserve the delicate balance between offender rehabilitation and accountability, and public safety; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the State of New York to fully cover all new costs associated with changing the age of criminal responsibility to avoid the imposition of a new unfunded mandate on counties; and further

RESOLVED, Fiscal caps must be removed for foster care and youth detention as part of this age of criminal responsibility reform, and state funding must be provided to build capacity for infrastructure and services under child welfare and probation services, and to identify mental health and drug and alcohol issues and strategies to minimize absences without leave from the education system; and further

RESOLVED, The state must also reverse state budget reimbursement rate cuts it made to counties for local child welfare services, restoring the state reimbursement rate to 65% from the current 62% level to ensure counties have more resources to provide critical services to children and families in need of services; and further

RESOLVED, That recommendations from local District Attorneys should be provided due consideration and inclusion if the reform proposal moves forward; and further

RESOLVED, There will need to be flexibility in recognition of the differences between small and large counties and rural versus urban areas, such that, a staggered roll-out may be appropriate in some counties depending on local conditions and service capacity; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 17 - IC

RESOLUTION CALLING ON GOVERNOR ANDREW M. CUOMO AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO MORE EQUITABLY AND EFFICIENTLY IMPOSE THE 9-1-1 SURCHARGE ON ALL WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS DEVICES AND USE REVENUES TO FINANCE COUNTY 9-1-1

WHEREAS, The State of New York imposes a \$1.20 public safety surcharge on wireless “contract telephones,” which, when it was enabled in statute, was intended to fund 9-1-1 operations and help dispatchers, first responders and law enforcement officers to communicate and respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The “pre-paid” cellular phone market is currently not contributing resources to support 9-1-1 service; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated at least 1/3 of all cell phones are “pre-paid” and do not pay the \$1.20 state surcharge or the \$.30 local surcharge; and

WHEREAS, More than 30 states have expanded their 9-1-1 surcharge to “pre-paid” phones; and

WHEREAS, The growth of smart phones into the “prepaid” marketplace in recent years is accelerating and providers are moving away from annual contracts toward “prepaid” monthly programs; and

WHEREAS, The State’s revenues from the \$1.20 surcharge totals nearly \$200 million annually but is declining, with the majority of which is used by the state for purposes other than 9-1-1; and

WHEREAS, Current funding mechanisms do provide enough funding to address the essential needs of all counties nor the implementation of NextGen 9-1-1; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls upon Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the State Legislature to determine a way to ensure adequate funds are available for emergency needs and authorize all counties the authority to impose a local surcharge up to a \$1.20 on ALL wireless devices that are capable of accessing 911 services; and further

RESOLVED, That any expansion of the state surcharge to prepaid plans should commensurately authorize local surcharges for the same purpose; and further

RESOLVED, The state should provide optional authority for the local wireless \$.30 surcharge for the 8 counties that do not currently impose this surcharge; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 18 - IC

RESOLUTION CALLING ON GOVERNOR ANDREW M. CUOMO AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO PLAN FOR NEXT GENERATION 911 IN NEW YORK STATE AND CREATE A NEW YORK STATE 911 DEPARTMENT THAT SUPPORTS COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS AND ENHANCES LOCAL EMERGENCY DISPATCH SERVICES

WHEREAS, Counties provide 911 services in New York State by operating Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) that serve all residents in times of emergency by dispatching emergency medical, fire, and police assistance; and

WHEREAS, Counties continue to incur substantial costs to upgrade and maintain communications systems, as well as keep up to date with technological changes; and

WHEREAS, These changes are a fundamental shift toward an IP based 911 system that is commonly referred to as Next Generation (NG) 911; and

WHEREAS, NG 911 requires greater planning and investment on the part of local governments in order to keep pace with rapidly evolving consumer technologies; and

WHEREAS, The majority of states across the country have aggressively begun preparing for NG 911 and in numerous instances deploying significant infrastructure and policies to build the foundation for a NG 911 system; and

WHEREAS, New York State has done comparatively little to prepare for NG 911 and is facing significant risk in becoming a straggler in the deployment of NG 911 technologies; and

WHEREAS, A lag in planning and investment in NG 911 places New York's citizens at risk as they rely on a legacy 911 system that is rapidly becoming obsolete; and

WHEREAS, The NYS Public Service Commission (PSC) conducted a telecommunications study on 911 that required the insight of public safety and 911 experts to relay relevant public safety information to the PSC as they make 911 related telecommunications decisions; and

WHEREAS, The NYS Public Service Commission (PSC) intends to work collaboratively with the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES), the 911 Advisory Board and the Public Safety Broadband Working Group to further advance the implementation of NG 911 in New York State, while maintaining their oversight of 911 system affordability and reliability as it pertains to providers of 911 services; and

WHEREAS, A New York State effort to provide coordinated leadership in the area of 911 would be most appropriately empowered to both support the mission of the PSAPs in the state as well as transition the current state's 911 legacy system to a NG 911 system that will better serve its citizens for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Leadership from New York State is crucial to ensure success and to prevent future tragedies related to the 911 network in NYS; and

WHEREAS, Counties urge New York State to adopt the Automated Secure Alarm Protocol (ASAP) which automates all alarms coming from alarm companies and allows for an electronic link between the Central States Alarm Association, the NLETS system and the PSAP's via the NYS e-justice system; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls upon Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the State Legislature and the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to create a New York State 9-1-1 Department that best serves the public interest and supports PSAPs in New York State while continuing to allow the City of New York and the 57 counties outside of NYC to receive emergency 9-1-1 calls and dispatch emergency services in a manner that is most appropriately determined by those municipalities; and further

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association* calls upon the State Legislature and the Governor to enable a State 9-1-1 Department that would:

- Provide funding;
- Issue RFPs and award contracts as necessary to support 9-1-1;
- Establish standards for 9-1-1;
- Apply for and distribute Federal Grant Funds
- Coordinate and provide training for 9-1-1 directors, supervisors and call takers;
- Provide Public Education;
- Provide necessary networks to support 9-1-1 both in a legacy and NG 9-1-1 environment;
- Provide a Statewide ESInet to support interoperability within and outside of New York State;
- Create, maintain and distribute GIS databases;
- Create and maintain NG 9-1-1 and other appropriate databases to support 9-1-1 efforts;
- Provide and propose appropriate regulation / legislation / tariffs to support 9-1-1;
- Represent New York State in efforts to support and advance 9-1-1 at a national level including participating in events sponsored by NASNA, NENA, APCO and the FCC;
- Provide consultative services to PSAPs in NYS in regards to industry trends, products, techniques, and standards;
- Help manage Civil Service exams;
- Manage the TERT program;
- Provide legal expertise in 9-1-1 related matters;
- Serve as the liaison to 9-1-1 service providers (TELCOs, Wireless Carriers, TCCs, VoIP providers, CPE manufacturers, etc.);
- Provide coordination with the Public Service Commission and work closely with them on tariffs, legislation and other business as it pertains to the 911 field;
- Provide for connectivity via the e-justice system to allow for the Automated Secure Alarm Protocol (ASAP).

and further

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association* supports the extension of 911 surcharges to any device capable of connecting to 911, including prepaid devices as essential to preserving current resources for 911 services; and further

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 19 - IC

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EFFORTS TO IMPROVE PROBATION AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION IN NEW YORK STATE IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC AND REDUCE RELIANCE ON PRISONS AND JAILS

WHEREAS, County Probation Departments are an integral part of the Criminal Justice System and operate within the legal framework of the Criminal Procedure Law, the Penal Law, and the Family Court Act; and

WHEREAS, It is the mission of Probation to protect the community through intervention in the lives of those under supervision by facilitating compliance with court orders and serving as a catalyst for positive change; and

WHEREAS, State funding for Probation was drastically reduced between 1990 and 2015 from a 46.5% State share in 1990 to less than 12% in 2015, putting a huge strain on counties and cost to county property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, At the same time there have been increases in the number of mandated programs and services County Probation Departments are required to provide; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Council of Probation Administrators, representing NYS Probation Directors, Administrators and Commissioners has diligently worked with NYSAC and State leaders to bring more awareness to the important work that Probation does to protect the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, supports proposals put forward by the Governor to immediately enact statutory and regulatory changes that improve Probation and Alternatives to Incarceration in the following ways:

- Eliminate the mandate that pre-sentence investigations must be conducted when a sentence of up to one year in jail has been negotiated.
- In response to Violation of Probation Petitions:
 1. Require counties to develop swift, certain graduated responses
 2. Require the courts to dispose of the VOP's within 90 days
- Enable Probation to administratively modify Conditions of Probation in the provision of graduated responses.
- Establish a dedicated funding stream for juvenile services provided directly to Probation through DCJS/OPCA.
- Eliminate the requirement for dual supervision of Ignition Interlock parolees by delegating direct supervision to NYS Parole only of defendants sentenced to DOCS.

and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 20 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COUNTIES TO HOLD LOCALITIES HARMLESS FROM NEW COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH FEDERAL CHILD CARE LAW CHANGES TO ENSURE LOCAL CHILD CARE SLOTS ARE NOT LOST DUE TO INCREASED COSTS OF MEETING THE NEW FEDERAL MANDATES

WHEREAS, The federal government is implementing new child care safety and quality standards that are intended to improve child care services nationwide; and

WHEREAS, The new federal standards will require all child care providers to be checked against a variety of databases including FBI fingerprinting, National Crime Information Center, National Sex Offender Registry, state criminal and sex offender registry, and child abuse and neglect registry in each state an applicant has resided over the past five years; and

WHEREAS, The state estimates there are over 220,000 regulated and legally-exempt providers as well as household members over the age of 18 that would be required to have a background check at a cost of nearly \$102 per person; and

WHEREAS, These federal standards will require annual, unannounced full inspections of all facilities, including legally-exempt providers, which will require New York to conduct 25,000 additional inspections each year; and

WHEREAS, New federal rules will require a mandatory pre-service/orientation and ongoing health and safety training for all child care staff in a variety of topical areas including first aid/CPR; and

WHEREAS, In New York the cost of First Aid/CPR classroom training is estimated at \$125 per person and would apply to as many as 220,000 individuals; and

WHEREAS, The state has estimated that meeting these new standards could increase costs for the state, counties, and child care providers by up to \$90 million; and

WHEREAS, While the federal regulation focuses on child development, it is essential that we recognize that child care is critical as a work support, and that the added costs of implementation will reduce subsidies to low income families who need child care in order to go to work; and

WHEREAS, Due to significantly constrained property tax cap limits, counties do not have the ability to absorb new costs of this magnitude while also meeting new federal subsidy requirements including 12-month eligibility redetermination and the graduated phase-out of families leaving the subsidy program; and

WHEREAS, Without additional federal or state funding support to cover these increased costs counties may be forced to close intake (including closing active cases) or lower income thresholds,

which will reduce the number of low income working families receiving subsidized child care services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls on the Governor and State Legislature to hold counties harmless from a fiscal perspective to ensure that existing child care slots and subsidies provided by counties are not jeopardized over the coming years as these new federal standards are implemented; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 21 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE TO ELIMINATE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING CAPS ON STATE REIMBURSEMENTS TO LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICE DISTRICTS FOR SAFETY AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, State financial support for local social service district administrative costs was essentially eliminated several years ago to help balance state budget shortfalls; and

WHEREAS, With the exception of local costs for administration of the State Medicaid program, local social service district administrative responsibilities for a variety of state and federal programs continue to increase each year with no commensurate financial support; and

WHEREAS, In 2015 alone, more than 50 new Administrative Directives (ADMs) or guidance letters from OCFS, OTDA and DOH were sent to counties for implementation; and

WHEREAS, County social service districts are struggling with implementing these new directives without any new fiscal support from the state or federal government; and

WHEREAS, Counties are dealing with the tightest property tax cap since the program was implemented; and

WHEREAS, Recent security breaches, including violence committed against county employees at local social service districts, both nationally and locally highlight the increased need for enhanced safety and security investments at local social service district offices; and

WHEREAS, Current state administrative reimbursement caps to local social service districts makes such safety and security investments highly challenging; and

WHEREAS, While the safety of all public employees is a priority, the need in certain county offices is more critical; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, urges the Governor and State Legislature to exempt certain local investments that enhance the safety and security of local social services district employees and clients from state administrative reimbursement caps; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 22 - IC

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE THE LOCAL PORTIONS OF THE PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING THROUGH THE EXISTING CHIPS FORMULA

WHEREAS, This Executive's proposed 2016-17 State Budget includes \$438,097,000.00 for CHIPS funding and \$39,700,000.00 for Marchiselli funding, which is consistent with last year's budget; and

WHEREAS, The proposed budget calls for \$22 billion for a multi-year transportation capital plan to upgrade roads, bridges and other vital transportation infrastructure throughout the New York; and

WHEREAS, The \$22 billion plan includes \$1 billion each for the BRIDGE NY and PAVE NY programs to replace, rehabilitate, pave and maintain state and local bridges and roads; and

WHEREAS, \$500 million of each program would go to fund state roads and bridges and \$500 million of each would go to fund local road and bridges; and

WHEREAS, The funding formula for allocating the total \$1 billion in local road and bridge funding has yet not been made clear; and

WHEREAS, The state budget proposal also includes \$500 million for the Extreme Weather Infrastructure Hardening program, which will make investments in roadways across the state susceptible to flooding and other extreme weather related events; and

WHEREAS, While this funding is welcomed and needed for our transportation infrastructure, it needs to be allocated in a fair and equitable method so that all local governments receive increases in transportation funding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, calls upon the Governor and the Legislature to allocate the local portions of the proposed PAVE NY funding through the existing CHIPS formula, which is based on local highway mileage (for all municipalities) and motor vehicle registrations (for counties and NYC); and further

RESOLVED, That BRIDGE NY local funding that is proposed to be distributed via a competitive solicitation must assure regional level decision-making and include local highway department representation, or be distributed through a CHIPS like formula similar to PAVE NY as another way to assure real state/local equality, regional balance, and improved local decision-making and flexibility; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 23 - IC

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REQUEST FOR NEW YORK STATE TO INCREASE FUNDING STREAMS FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo has submitted his proposed 2016-17 Executive Budget without including last year's fully funded amount for the Youth Development Program; and

WHEREAS, The Youth Development Program offers the distribution of funds to all counties through the county youth bureau, ensuring the availability of positive youth development services across New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Youth Development Program supports positive youth development programs and prevention services that are provided through a fair and equitable formula-driven allocation through the New York State Office of Children and Family Services; and

WHEREAS, The Youth Development Program, through youth bureau structures, ensures appropriate local monitoring, evaluation and accountability; and

WHEREAS, Youth development, prevention and intervention are essential for critical services to children and youth; and

WHEREAS, Increased need in the number of youth served by county and local youth bureaus and by community-based organizations in Ontario County continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, It is believed that providing services and programs for children and youth is an investment, not only in delinquency prevention, but also in the development of all our young people thus enriching our society and nation as a whole; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, hereby requests Governor Cuomo and the New York State Legislature increase the current Youth Development Program funding streams in the 2016-17 state budget; and further

RESOLVED, That Governor Cuomo and the New York State Legislature re-appropriate the \$1.28 million restoration which was included in the 2015-16 enacted budget, to bring calendar year 2016 funding to the actual 2015 calendar year levels and to prevent programmatic reductions; and further

RESOLVED, That Governor Cuomo and the New York State Legislature add \$28.33 million to increase expansion of funding for the Youth Development Program; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 24 - IC

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE NAVIGATION LAW

WHEREAS, The Ontario County Office of Sheriff operates a Marine and Recreational Unit;
and

WHEREAS, Police Officers employed by the Ontario County Office of Sheriff provide enforcement of the New York State Navigation Law on Canandaigua and Honeoye Lakes; and

WHEREAS, Funds from New York State are critical in being able to adequately provide these police law enforcement services on our lakes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, opposes the proposed amendment to the New York State Navigation Law contained in the Governor’s proposed 2016-2017 Executive Budget, which would cut the reimbursement rate to all affected counties for navigation law enforcement from fifty to twenty-five percent for the expenses incurred by providing such marine patrol services; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, Senator Michael Nozzolio, Senator Rich Funke, NYSAC, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 25- IC

RESOLUTION URGING SUPPORT OF ADOPTION OF NYS ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A01951 AND SENATE BILL NO. S1792A TITLED, "AN ACT TO AMEND THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW, IN RELATION TO THE DEFINITION OF AN ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE OR ATV" AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 2281 currently defines an "all- terrain vehicle" or "ATV" as any "self-propelled vehicle which is manufactured for sale for operation primarily on off-highway trails or off-highway competitions and only incidentally operated on public highways providing that such vehicle does not exceed seventy inches in width, or one thousand pounds dry weight;" and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 01951 has been introduced by Assemblyman William Magee and Co-sponsored by Assemblymen Blankenbush, Barclay, Tenney, Gunther, Crouch and Roberts; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1792A has been introduced by Senator Patricia Ritchie and Co-sponsored by Senators Bonacic, Funke, Gallivan, Griffo, Larkin, Little, Marchione, O'Mara, Seward, and Young; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 01951 and Senate Bill No. 1792A amends the definition of ATVs by adding a provision to Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 2281 that would increase the allowable weight of an ATV from 1000 pounds to 1500 pounds; and

WHEREAS, Upon adoption, Assembly Bill No. 01951 and Senate Bill No. 1792A would allow the registration of vehicles which are commonly referred to as "side-by-sides" or "UTVs" which generally consist of side-by-side passenger configurations and have additional safety features including seat belts and rollover bars; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of Assembly Bill No. 01951 and Senate Bill No. 1792A is to update the regulations in New York State to keep pace with changes in technology in the ATV industry and to conform with the regulations of neighboring states which allow registration of such vehicles; and

WHEREAS, "UTVs" or "side-by-sides" are wider and heavier and therefore more stable than traditional ATVs, and also are configured with seatbelts and rollover bars which make the vehicles safer to ride for both operators and passengers; and

WHEREAS, "UTVs" or "side-by-sides" owned and used for private purposes on private property shall be exempt from these proposed regulations; and

WHEREAS, The adoption of Assembly Bill No. 01951 and Senate Bill No. 1792A will increase revenues to the state through new registration fees as well as increased sales tax; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That *Inter County Association, an association representing over three million constituents in Western New York State*, urges the adoption of Assembly Bill No. 01951 and Senate Bill No. 1792A at the earliest opportunity; and further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Association Secretary to Governor Cuomo, Senator Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten E. Gillibrand, New York State Association of Counties, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Heastie, Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks to the attention President Michael Tabolt (Lewis County), and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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