

**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY  
LEGISLATORS DIXON, MILLS, LORIGO, RATH, & MORTON**

Re: Support for Legalization of Mixed Martial Arts Competition in New York

WHEREAS, Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) has gained tremendous popularity over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, Erie County urges New York State to repeal the ban on organized MMA competition and allow MMA events to be held across the state; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body goes on record to welcome organized live MMA events to the County of Erie; and

WHEREAS, allowing the State of New York to host marquee events for MMA would be a boost for the local economies that get the opportunity to host such events; and

WHEREAS, members of the New York State Legislature have submitted proposals to legalize MMA events; and

WHEREAS, the sheer number of proposals from Legislators across the state lends support to the argument that the residents of the State of New York are in support of legalizing MMA events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this honorable body issues its support of legalizing MMA events here in New York State and urges the Governor to work with the Assembly and Senate to ensure the events can take place in as safe a manner as possible; and

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be sent to the Western New York Delegation for the New York State Senate and Assembly, the Governor of the State of New York, Mr. Lorenzo Fertitta the Chairman of the UFC, and all parties deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: Positive for the region.