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**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY  
LEGISLATORS MILLS & LORIGO**

Re: Opposition to Additional Funding for Start-up NY Program

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo's Start-up NY campaign has had its first full year of operation and several members of County government have questioned its results and future direction; and

WHEREAS, in the first year the program has created only 76 jobs and generated \$1.7 million in investment which is a far cry from the promised rate; and

WHEREAS, if the current rate does not change the program will generate 380 jobs and \$8.5 million worth of investment over five years, as opposed to the promised creation of 2,300 jobs and \$103 million worth of investment; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has proposed transferring an additional \$50 million out of the New York Power Authority and partly into Start-Up NY for 2015; and

WHEREAS, that funding could be spent for far more useful programs including infrastructure repair and reinvestment or returned to the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, based off the results of the program in the first year it is unjustifiable for Governor Cuomo to continue spending taxpayer money on such an ineffective program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this honorable body demands that the money diverted from the New York Power Authority be spent for the direct benefit of Western New Yorkers or given back to the residents in the State of New York in the form of lower taxes; and

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent the Governor Andrew Cuomo, the Western New York Delegations for the New York State Senate and Assembly, and all other parties deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: None for resolution