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Hon. John J. Mills
Chairman, Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Re: ECSO PBA Support of 2:00 A.M. Tavern Closing Time

Dear Chairman Mills,

The Erie County Sheriff's Office Police Benevolent Association is writing to go on record to support Erie County's proposed change of tavern closing time to 2:00 A.M.

Your Erie County Sheriff's PBA is dedicated to insure the safety of all the residents of Erie County as well as any whom may visit our fine County. We believe decreasing the hours in which alcohol can be imbibed will greatly enhance our efforts to maintain the safety of all who travel the roads of Erie County and beyond.

Further, it is our experience that many of the most tragic motor vehicle crashes occur in the early morning hours directly related to extremely late tavern hours of operation. In addition, the fact that all counties contiguous to Erie County have earlier tavern closing times incentivizes drinkers to drive into Erie County once their taverns are closed. This creates grave risk to all.

On behalf of your Erie County Sheriff's Office PBA; the men and women of the Road Patrol and Police Services Division, we voice our support for this reform. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jason M. Weiss
ECSO PBA President