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RESOLUTION # 220-12P

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO COMPENSATE COUNTIES FOR STATE-MANDATED DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S SALARIES

The Finance Committee offered the following, and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, salaries of full time district attorneys and the clerks of the five boroughs of New York City are statutorily tied to those of New York State judges and justices in the Unified Court System; and

WHEREAS, when salaries increase for judges and justices, counties are mandated to raise the salaries of their district attorneys as required under section 183-a of the Judiciary Law; and

WHEREAS, New York State has significantly increased judges' salaries over the next three years, forcing counties to increase pay for district attorneys; and

WHEREAS, this increased State mandate requires Chenango County to raise the salary of the district attorney from $119,200 in 2011 to $152,500 by 2014; and

WHEREAS, although the State pays the entire salary and benefits of judges and justices, the State only provides supplemental appropriations to counties to partially cover the cost of State-mandated pay for local district attorneys;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Chenango County Board of Supervisors calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to reimburse counties for the entire amount of district attorneys' mandated pay and its associated retirement and social security costs, leaving counties responsible only for any portion of district attorneys' compensation that exceeds the State's mandated amount; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator James L. Seward, Senator Thomas W. Libous, Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch, Assemblyman Gary D. Finch, Assemblyman Peter D. Lopez, other New York counties, and the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC).

Seconded by Mr. Iannello
Results of a Roll Call vote were: Yes-1619, No-0, Absent-108
Absent: Supervisors Westcott, Schlag and Flanagan
The Chairman declared the resolution duly adopted.

State of New York)
County of Chenango)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Chenango County on the 13th day of November 2012 and of the whole thereof.

Dated, Norwich, N.Y.
November 14, 2012

Clerk of the Board