

**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY  
LEGISLATOR RATH**

**Re: Urging the Federal Aviation Administration to Implement Safety Regulations**

**WHEREAS, Colgan Air Flight 3407 crashed on February 12, 2009, resulting in the death of 50 individuals; and**

**WHEREAS, on February 2, 2010, the National Transportation Safety Board issued a final report, which indicated that the accident was caused by the pilots' inability to respond properly to stall warnings; and**

**WHEREAS, in large part due to the investigation of the accident, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposed several rules changes with the goal of improving air travel safety; and**

**WHEREAS, many of these changes were mandated by the Airline Safety and Federal Administrative Extension Act of 2010; and**

**WHEREAS, although many of the changes have been implemented, some changes still await implementation, three years after the law was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President; and**

**WHEREAS, the FAA Administrator stated recently that all of the rules would be implemented by October, 2013; and**

**WHEREAS, although there is debate as to the cost of implementation of the rules and the benefit to be derived from the rules changes, there is no debate as to the fact that improving pilot training will result in safety improvements; and**

**WHEREAS, these important rules legislated by Congress are the law of the land and must be implemented without delay.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature requests that FAA rules changes be implemented on schedule and without further delays; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to FAA Administrator Michael P. Huerta and the local delegation of the United States Congress.**

**Fiscal Impact: None.**