

SUSPENSION

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

RE: Public Hearing and Proposals for the 8-Year Review of the Wales, Elma, Holland, Alden and Lancaster Alden Agricultural Districts and the 2009 and 2010 Open Periods for Inclusion Into Agricultural Districts

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature has received notification of the eight-year review requirement of the Wales, Elma, Holland, Alden and Lancaster Alden Agricultural Districts which are recertified every 8 years; according to Article 25AA of New York State Agricultural Markets Law; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the agricultural district maps containing these districts is on file in the County Clerk office and corresponding Town Clerk offices in the Towns of Alden, Aurora, Colden, Elma, Holland, Lancaster, Orchard Park, Sardinia and Wales; and

WHEREAS, a published notice of a 30-day public comment period for proposal of any modification to said districts will commence the 8-year review processes; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 and 2010 30-day open periods for inclusion have occurred and applicants have come forth; and

WHEREAS, Agricultural and Markets Law directs the county legislature to hold a public hearing on the aforementioned actions in a readily accessible place and to publish a notice of public hearing in a newspaper with general circulation within the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature be directed to publish notice of proposal for a 30-day comment period for any modifications of said districts and notice of the public hearing on the afore-mentioned matters in a newspaper having general circulation within the county, that notice also be sent to the affected municipalities being the Towns of Wales, Elma, Holland, Lancaster, Alden, Aurora, Orchard Park, Sardinia, Colden, Grand Island, Newstead, Concord, Evans and Boston, that the town clerk in each corresponding town be asked to post the public notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby directs the Clerk to refer the agricultural districts and inclusion period applications to the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning and the Erie County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board for reports and recommendations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Erie hold a public hearing on February 17, 2011 at the Cornell Cooperative Extension at 21 South Grove Street in the Village of East Aurora, New York 14052 regarding the above matters; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning.

FISCAL IMPACT: None for Resolution.