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**TO:** Robert M. Graber, Clerk of the Legislature  
Erie County

**FROM:** Debra Prehoda, Clerk  
Board of Supervisors

**DATE:** April 19, 2011

**RE:** Resolution No. 112

Please find enclosed a certified copy of the above mentioned resolution  
adopted by the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

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Resolution No. 112 April 15, 2011  
By Supervisors Campbell, Brown, LaPointe, Hall, Lindsay, Henke, Banks, Haff

TITLE: Calling for Immediate Payment of Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) Payments

WHEREAS, the federal government makes payments to the states for costs associated with medicaid for county nursing homes known as the intergovernmental transfer (IGT), and

WHEREAS, IGT is made to offset the high costs of operation of government owned nursing homes, and

WHEREAS, Washington County has seen its costs of operation rise over the years in, for example, retirement costs which have escalated by 250% over three years and health insurance which has risen by 8% per year, and

WHEREAS, the County relies on IGT funding to offset the growing deficit at Pleasant Valley, the County owned skilled nursing facility, and

WHEREAS, currently the County had \$1.5 million in IGT budgeted for 2010 which it has yet to receive and an additional \$1.5 million for 2011, and

WHEREAS, Pleasant Valley is almost out of operating capital and needs its 2010 funding as well as 2011 funding to pay its costs and meet its obligations to provide care for its residents, and

WHEREAS, this IGT funding represents approximately 8% of Pleasant Valley's yearly revenue, and

WHEREAS, the failure to transfer IGT monies to Washington County, and other counties, places those counties in financial peril at a time when growing health care costs make it imperative to fund health care for our most vulnerable residents, and

WHEREAS, IGT money was, and is, essential if county operated homes are to continue to operate; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Supervisors hereby calls upon the State of New York to immediately release IGT monies owed Washington County and the other counties of the State so that the counties may meet the needs of facility residents; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board calls upon the State to continue IGT funding and make certain and timely transfers to the counties immediately upon receipt; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State of New York, the pertinent elected representative thereof for Washington County, the oversight committees of the legislature and the Governor; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to those other counties who operate skilled nursing facilities.

**BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT:** Washington County currently owed \$1.5 million for each of 2010 and 2011 which leaves a \$3.0 million hole for county budgets.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
County of Washington) ss.:

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Washington have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office and which was passed by the Board of Supervisors of said County on the 15th day of April, 2011, a majority of all the members elected to the Board voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Board of Supervisors, this 18th day of April, 2011.

Debra R. Prekoda  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors