

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

Re: Eliminating the positions of Majority Leader and Minority Leader at the Erie County Legislature

WHEREAS, the Majority Leader and Minority Leader at the Erie County Legislature are elected annually by their respective caucuses; and

WHEREAS, the leaders are responsible for making appointments to various commissions and boards throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the leaders have certain notification responsibilities at sessions of the Erie County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Majority Leader is the point person for presenting legislative items for votes at sessions; and

WHEREAS, further, the Minority Leader controls the supervision of the minority caucus staff; and

WHEREAS, the leadership positions are referred to in various local laws, in addition to the Erie County Charter; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the positions of Majority Leader and Minority Leader would save taxpayers \$10,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, the duties of the Majority and Minority Leader could be effectuated by the legislative caucuses as a whole or by existing staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature requests the County Attorney to draft a law which would mandate the appropriate revisions to Local Laws and the Erie County Charter and eliminate the need for the positions of Majority and Minority Leader; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to County Attorney Jeremy Colby and County Executive Chris Collins.

Fiscal Impact: Savings of \$10,000 annually