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A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY
LEGISLATOR MILLS

Re: Requesting Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets to Extend Review Date of Sardinia Agricultural District No. 6

WHEREAS, Erie County is in the process of consolidation of the County's fourteen Agricultural Districts into four; and

WHEREAS, Section 303-a of the Agricultural Districts Law allows counties with multiple districts with review dates in any 12-month period, to petition the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets to approve for good cause, an extension of up to four years for a district review; and

WHEREAS, the review anniversary for Sardinia Agricultural District No. 6 falls on December 19, 2014 and the review anniversary for Lancaster-Alden Agricultural District No. 16 and Amherst Agricultural District No. 17 is April 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the County's Consolidation plan is to combine the lands of Sardinia Agricultural District No. 6 with Holland Agricultural District No. 11 and Concord Agricultural District No. 15; and

WHEREAS, the review anniversary for Sardinia Agricultural District No. 6 must be aligned with the review anniversaries of Holland Agricultural District No. 11 and Concord Agricultural District No. 15 in order to make consolidation of these adjacent districts feasible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature petitions the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets to extend the review date Sardinia Agricultural District No. 6 to begin on October 13, 2016 and end the 300-day review period (anniversary) on August 9, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT: None for resolution.