A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED
BY LEGISLATORS MILLS & LORIGO

RE: Erie County Citizens' Budget Review Commission

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature unanimously approved, and the County Executive signed, a local law introduction reinstituting a Citizens' Budget Review Commission for the County; and

WHEREAS, the Commission shall assist and advise the Legislature in the oversight of the County's budget, and to monitor County finances, ensure the long-term fiscal stability of Erie County, prevent the concealment of County deficits, and to help provide the Legislature with enough time and information to respond to budgetary problems, according to their Charter mandate; and

WHEREAS, according to the provisions of Local Law No.2 of 2012, specifically Section 2618 (c) [Membership; Terms; Vacancies], specific categories of appointments shall be made on an annual basis, of members of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, following a general media outreach to solicit interest among Erie County residents to serve on this important policy panel, letters of interest were received for all membership categories.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Local Law No. 2 of 2012, the following individuals are hereby appointed by this Honorable Body to serve as members of the Erie County Citizens' Budget Review Commission, for a term that will expire on December 31, 2015:

Appointee:	Membership Category:
Elias Farah 42 Marsdale Rd. Cheektowaga, NY 14215	Chairman Mills' appointment
Ed Kumrow 31 Grant Rd. Amherst, NY 14226	Majority Leader's appointment
Joseph Winter, CPA 82 Howard Ln. Tonawanda, NY 14150	Professional experience as a Certified Public Accountant

R.J. Friedman, Esq 15 Caldwell Dr. West Seneca, NY 14224	Licensed attorney with experience in local government law
Kevin Leffler 2456 North Creek Rd. Lake View, NY 14085	Representative with business experience
Jorge S. deRosas 77 Middlebury Rd. Orchard Park, NY 14127	Represents a cross-section of the County's diverse population and has a depth of appropriate experience and expertise.
Joseph Hanna Goldberg Segalla – Partner 665 Main St. – Suite 400 Buffalo, NY 14203	Represents a cross-section of the County's diverse population and has a depth of appropriate experience and expertise.

RESOLVED, that this Legislature declares that each appointee possesses strong personal and professional credentials for adding greatly to the Commission's important work; further ensuring fiscal stability of County government, adding additional checks and balances to the oversight of County finances, and increased budget monitoring and reporting; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be conveyed to the County Executive, Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority, Comptroller, County Attorney, Budget Director, the Erie County Citizens' Budget Review Commission appointees at the addresses listed above, and all other parties deemed necessary and proper

Fiscal Impact: None