



TOWN OF ORCHARD PARK

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THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAJCHRZAK, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHERRY, TO WIT:

WHEREAS, 911 is a critical component for the citizens of Erie County and the delivery of Police and Emergency Services and the traditional landline phones are accurate with the exact location for emergency calls, and

WHEREAS, more people are now calling 911 from cell phones with over 492,615 wireless calls being made in 2014 to Erie County 911 Center and in an emergency every minute and seconds count when an attempt is made to get Phase 2 location information, and

WHEREAS, the 911 center asks the network for the phones actual location, that is Phase 2, and even after multiple re-bids or re-transits to the cell carriers for better information it is impossible to get an exact location when trying to locate the emergency which can be inaccurate or at times doesn't give the location at all, and

WHEREAS, every cell phone subscriber in New York State pays \$1.20 to Albany each month which was intended to support counties and their endeavor to update and maintain their development of next generation 911 technology, the consolidation of current 911 services, and improvements to public safety communication systems across the State, and

WHEREAS, Erie County estimates cell phone subscribers in Erie County paid about \$8.8 million to Albany in 2014 through this surcharge, and surcharge funds collected in 2012 in New York State were in excess of \$200 million with less than \$10 million being disbursed to County level 911 services, and

WHEREAS, according to the FCC, New York State was one of six states in 2013 to divert funding from a 911 surcharge account for unrelated purposes and this improper distribution is hampering public safety in Erie County and throughout Western New York.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Association of Erie County Governments requests the State of New York to appropriately disburse the funds collected through the public safety communications surcharge as laid out in Bill S2963/A3561 (2015); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Honorable Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Honorable Senate

Majority Leader John Flanagan, Majority Leader of Independent Democratic Caucus Jeff Klein, Honorable Senate Minority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Honorable Speaker of the Assembly Carl E. Heastie, Honorable Majority Leader of the Assembly Joseph Morelle, Honorable Minority Leader of the Assembly Brian Kolb, and the Western New York Delegation and Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz and the Erie County Legislature.

STATE OF NEW YORK }
COUNTY OF ERIE } ss:
TOWN OF ORCHARD PARK }

This is to certify that I, Remy C. Orffeo, Clerk of the Town of Orchard Park, in said County of Erie, have compared the foregoing copy with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was passed by the Town Board of the Town of Orchard Park, on the 20th day of May 2015 and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand affixed the seal of said Town this 28th day of May, 2015.



Remy C. Orffeo
Town Clerk