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10TH DISTRICT LEGISLATOR

MAJORITY LEADER

June 19, 2015

Edwin Gonsiorek
Department of Weights and Measures
2380 Clinton St.
Buffalo, NY 14227

Dear Mr. Gonsiorek,

During the Energy and Environment committee yesterday we had a discussion related to the release of microbeads from personal skincare products into Lake Erie. As I am sure you are aware, Local Law Intro. 8-2 (2015) requires your department bear the responsibility of enforcement and ensuring stores remove products with microbeads from their shelves.

One remaining question our body has is how the county would ensure that these products do not remain on the shelves of stores if the law is passed. Commissioner Loffredo was present at the committee meeting representing the Department of Weights and Measures and was admittedly unsure as to how Weights and Measures would ultimately enforce the local law given how stretched the department was already with its current workload.

As soon as possible forward a written response to the legislature relating to your proposal to enforce Local Law 8-2 (2015).

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph C. Lorigo".

Joseph C. Lorigo – Majority Leader
Erie County Legislature – District 10

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