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A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY
LEGISLATOR MORTON

Re: Request of State Liquor Authority to Change Closing Time of Erie County Bars

WHEREAS, currently bars within Erie County are able to sell alcoholic beverages until 4 a.m. every day; and

WHEREAS, many residents in Erie County believe that limiting the sale of alcohol in bars to 2 a.m. will decrease alcohol related vehicle fatalities and injuries, improve the quality of life in neighborhoods near late night drinking establishments and decrease the costs to law enforcement associated with alcohol incidents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York State Alcohol Beverage Control law a legislative body may request, by resolution, the limitation of the sale of alcoholic beverages to an earlier time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that pursuant to NYS Alcoholic Beverage Control Art. 2 §17(11) this honorable body hereby requests that the state Liquor Authority consider restricting the sale of alcoholic beverages at retail establishments open to the public for consumption on premises to 2 a.m.; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the NYS Liquor Authority, the Erie County Executive, and all parties deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: None for resolution