

# ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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Chair Mills,

I write to respectfully request a public hearing on Local Law 5-1, a Local Law to establish an animal abuse registry in Erie County.

A public hearing on Local Law 5-1 is long overdue, in 2015, five counties in New York State have passed laws establishing animal abuse registries; Orange County, Rockland County, Nassau County, Albany County and most recently, neighboring Niagara County. In addition, the recent extreme cases of animal abuse shown in the media reinforce how beneficial an animal abuse registry would be in Erie County.

I am requesting that a hearing be held in the Legislature within the next two weeks for the purpose of expediency. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick B. Burke".

Patrick B. Burke  
Erie County Legislator, 7<sup>th</sup> District