

**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY  
LEGISLATOR RATH, MILLS, LORIGO, HARDWICK, DIXON AND MORTON**

**Re: Repeal of the New York Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013  
for Areas Outside of New York City**

**WHEREAS**, New York State Senate bill S879B, introduced by Senator Ortt, would repeal a portion of the NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, this Legislative Body has long advocated for the right to bear arms as afforded by the Constitution and has opposed the imposition of the SAFE Act as an infringement of that right; and

**WHEREAS**, the SAFE Act was rushed through the legislative process and passed without following proper procedure; and

**WHEREAS**, sections of the SAFE Act have benefitted the community, including the strengthening of Kendra's Law and Mark's Laws, and increasing the protection of privacy for lawful permit holders, and those provisions should remain, however, the SAFE Act offers little in the way of solutions for its main goal of deterring gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, the burden of complying with much the SAFE Act falls on law abiding gun owners, and provisions like the five-year recertification create unnecessary bureaucracy without improving the safety of New York State residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Erie County faces a financial impact during each five-year recertification process and forces additional burden on taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, many of those most impacted by the SAFE Act are individuals that reside outside of New York City in areas where hunting and sport shooting are common occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ortt has introduced a bill that will protect the positive aspects of the SAFE Act while limiting the overly bureaucratic and financially burdensome sections that only serve to limit the Constitutional rights of law abiding residents of New York.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that bill S879B proposes limiting the application of the NY SAFE Act to the five counties that comprise New York City including Kings, Queens, Richmond, New York and Bronx; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this honorable body supports the repeal of the NY SAFE Act here in Western New York as proposed by Senator Robert Ortt; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Western New York delegation to the New York State Legislature, Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, the Erie County Clerk's Office, and any other party deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: Positive for taxpayers