

# SUSPENSION

## ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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Hon. John J. Mills, Chair  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin St., 4th Fl.  
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Dear Chair Mills,

I fully support your efforts seeking input from the Erie County Comptroller in order to reduce expenditures in the budget of the Legislature. Certainly, any savings that can be realized for County taxpayers is appropriate.

As the Legislature Chair during two of the five years you seek to review, I stand ready to assist in any way to ensure a successful review and cost savings.

I also understand that an "entrance interview" has been scheduled to discuss with County Comptroller staff the parameters of the review, and I believe Minority Caucus representation should be included in any discussions concerning the review. As you know, during the five-year period of the review our staff managed the Legislature budget. The review period also includes three former Legislature Chairs. Those facts, together with this Honorable Body's Minority Caucus having a significant stake in the Legislature budget as does the Majority Caucus, that our participation is appropriate and fair.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to stop by or give me a call. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
  
**BETTY JEAN GRANT**  
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