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**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY
LEGISLATORS McCracken, Grant, Mazur, Mills,
Hogues, Marinelli, Hardwick, Loughran, Rath, Dixon & Lorigo**

RE: Reforming the Federal Tax Code by Implementing a 20% Federal Income Tax Credit for Companies that Bring Jobs Back to the United States

WHEREAS, in the State of the Union Address delivered on Tuesday, January 24, 2012, President Barack Obama called for a 20% Federal Income Tax Credit for companies that bring jobs back to the United States; and

WHEREAS, this initiative aligns with the President's domestic policy agenda to reverse years of federal tax policy that rewarded businesses for outsourcing U.S. jobs; and

WHEREAS, it is both in the domestic and national security interests of our nation to rebuild a robust manufacturing sector in our economy; and

WHEREAS, thirty years ago, manufacturing represented 30% of the nation's Gross Domestic Product (GDP); and

WHEREAS, at present, manufacturing represents only 10% of GDP, far below the percentage of other industrialized nations, such as Germany; and

WHEREAS, economists confirm that manufacturing employment has a substantial positive impact on the larger economy, to wit, for every single manufacturing job that is created, an additional four jobs are added; and

WHEREAS, the United States is a nation that has led the world in innovation and entrepreneurship, and a return to these core American values is facilitated by support of the growth in domestic manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, sustainable job creation ensues from consumer, business and government demand for goods and services being met by manufacturers in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature stand in full support of reform of the federal tax code in order to reward U.S. companies for insourcing American jobs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Congress should draft, approve and send legislation to the President's desk that will provide a 20% income tax credit for companies that return manufacturing jobs to the U.S.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be conveyed to President Obama, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives; Senator Chuck Schumer, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and to the WNY Congressional Delegation.

FISCAL IMPACT: Positive for the United States economy.