

RESOLUTION NO. 81-12

RESOLUTION CALLING ON ALL COUNTIES TO UNITE TO BRING ABOUT REAL AND MEANINGFUL MANDATE RELIEF IN NEW YORK STATE

DATED: MARCH 1, 2012

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BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, at the 2012 NYSAC Legislative Conference in Albany, the Membership of NYSAC adopted 28 separate and distinct Resolutions concerning the 2012/13 State Budget and its impact on county agencies; and

WHEREAS, State mandates are the number one barrier to providing property tax relief to New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, there are nine State mandates that consume more than 90 percent of the county property tax levy statewide, and that amount grows when the many other State mandates are included; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for counties to unify behind a common message to preserve local service delivery and stabilize local property taxes; and

WHEREAS, NYSAC will continue to provide research, education and information to the 62 counties of New York, concerning the mandated programs detailing federal and state reimbursement (if any); and

WHEREAS, to assist in informing the public, counties from across the state must continue to educate the public of the impact on local service delivery and property taxes should the state not provide meaningful mandate relief in 2012;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby calls upon counties to come together in partnership with NYSAC to influence the enactment of serious mandate relief measures by the New York State legislature, the Governor, and all Executive Agencies. NYSAC's advocacy for mandate relief requires the support of all counties.

Section 2. Each and every County Board in New York State that favors action during the 2012 legislative session for major mandate relief is hereby urged to take all actions necessary and proper at the local level to inform the citizens of the need for mandate and the impact on local service delivery and property taxes.

Section 3. Each and every County Board that favors action during the 2012 legislative session for major mandate relief is hereby urged to consistently communicate with the Governor and State Legislators detailing the local impact of state mandates on local service delivery and property taxes, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to NYSAC and to each County Board in New York State.

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Seconded by Mr. Wilt and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: WILT, PINCOMBE, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF HAMILTON) SS:

SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS)

I, Laura A. Abrams, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County, at a duly called and held meeting of said Board on the 1st day of March, 2012 and the same is true and correct transcript there from and the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal this 5th day of March, 2012.


Clerk of the Board