

RESOLUTION NO. 45

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

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OFFERED BY: Harold Vroman Who moved its adoption.

SECONDED BY: Donald Brandow Chairman Rules & Legislation Committee

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 state wide, 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 Schoharie County, like other Counties hit with large natural disasters in 2012 will experience an escalated fiscal impact on its citizens in terms of increased local property taxes and reduced local services in an expedited time frame, 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 that the Schoharie 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, and be it further

RESOLVED that each and every County Board in New York State that favors action during the 2012 legislative session for a 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 relief and the impact on local service delivery and property taxes, and be it further

RESOLVED that 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 be it further

RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Schoharie County Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator James Seward, Assemblyman Peter Lopez, NYSAC and to each County Board in New York State.

Dated: March 16, 2012
 Filed: March 16, 2012

Karen C. Meador
 Clerk-Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY.

[Signature]
 County Attorney

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STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF SCHOHARIE ss:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Schoharie, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the above copy of a resolution with the original resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County on the 16th day of March 2012, at a regular meeting of said Board and said copy is a true copy of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

I, FURTHER CERTIFY, that at the time said resolution was adopted said Board was comprised of 16 members, with total weighted vote of 2974 and votes were cast as follows: Yes 2648, No, 0, _____, Excused: 326, VanGlad and VanWormer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Board this 16th day of March, 2011.

Clerk,
Board of Supervisors of the County of Schoharie