

VILLAGE OF SPRINGVILLE

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A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE VILLAGE OF SPRINGVILLE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Real Property Tax Services has determined that there are in excess of 73,360 tax liens within Erie County with more than \$53,529,325 in taxes owed to Erie County; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Real Property Tax Services has determined that the County of Erie County owns 58 unpaid tax liens in the Village of Springville, worth \$984,200.58; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Springville, Erie County, and other municipalities have recognized the need to address the growing county-wide issue of tax delinquent, vacant, abandoned, and foreclosed properties; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Executive, the Department of Environment and Planning, and the Department of Real Property Tax Services are working collaboratively with the Village of Springville and other county municipalities to address this issue; and

WHEREAS; in July 2011, in recognition of the growing vacant property problem, New York State passed the Land Bank Act, as Article 16 of the New York State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, which authorizes any foreclosing government unit (FGU) to create a land bank to return tax delinquent, vacant, abandoned, and foreclosed properties to productive use; and

WHEREAS; the Land Bank Act allows FGUs and municipalities to enter into a partnership to create a land bank; and

WHEREAS, the newly adopted state law establishes a competitive application process to allow FGUs to create land banks but will only permit the formation of 10 land banks throughout New York State, with no more than five land banks being approved with the first round of applications due March 30, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, it is likely that applications that combine the major municipalities with the largest amount of delinquent properties in a county into a single land bank will have a more competitive application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Springville is interested in partnering with Erie County and other municipalities in submitting and application.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Village of Springville seeks to adequately address the issue of tax delinquent, foreclosed, vacant, and abandoned properties by participating in an Erie County Land bank; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Springville goes on record as fully supportive of Erie County's application to Empire State Development to create a land bank; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Springville strongly urges Empire State Development to approve Erie County's application as Erie County is the FGU for the Village and the Village desperately needs creative, new strategies to address the crippling problem of vacant and abandoned properties; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the Erie County Director of the Department of Real Property Tax Services; the County Comptroller, the County Attorney; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; Legal Counsel for the Village of Springville; and the Village of Springville Assessor.



William J. Krebs
Mayor