

RESOLUTION # 56-12P

CALLING ON THE GOVERNOR AND
STATE LEGISLATURE TO MAINTAIN
THE CURRENT SUCCESS OF THE NEW
YORK STATE CHILD SUPPORT
ENFORCEMENT UNIT BY
MAINTAINING A COMMITMENT TO A
STRONG STATE / LOCAL
PARTNERSHIP

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The Health & Human Services Committee offered the following, and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the New York State child support program provides custodial parents with assistance in obtaining financial support and medical insurance coverage for their children by locating parents, establishing paternity, establishing support orders, and collecting and distributing child support payments; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York in partnership with Counties and New York City have developed a nationally recognized child support program which in 2010 collected \$1.7 Billion for children across the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, child support plays an important role in protecting the economic security of hundreds of thousands of children across the State of New York through a strong commitment to financial and medical enforcement of child support orders; and

WHEREAS, in light of the Executive budget proposal to discontinue State reimbursement for the administration of child support enforcement activities, the State of New York is effectively abandoning an essential economic support for children and families within New York State and New York City; and

WHEREAS, the New York State 2012– 2013 Executive Budget fails to recognize the success of child support program including the unique and successful State and Local partnership by removing all State reimbursement for child support enforcement activities undertaken on behalf of the State of New York by Counties and New York City; and

WHEREAS, the New York State 2011 – 2012 Executive Budget allows Counties and New York City to collect and retain the State portion of recoveries collected through child support enforcement activities, instead of honoring the successful partnership between the State, Counties and New York City by continuing State reimbursement of the fifty percent of the non-federal share for administrative expenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, That the Chenango County Board of Supervisors calls on the Governor and State Legislature to continue the current partnership between the State of New York, Counties and New York City in offering child support enforcement services to families in need; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Chenango County invites other counties of New York to also call on the Governor and State Legislature to recognize the success of the child support program in providing an economic lifeline to hundreds of thousands of children across the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the current success of the New York State Child Support Program is a direct result of the equal partnership currently shared between the State of

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New York, Counties and New York City and the success of providing this essential economic lifeline to children is predicated on equal partnership; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State of New York should continue to honor the success of the child support enforcement program by maintaining the current financial commitment to child support enforcement activities at fifty percent of the non-federal share for child support administration; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Board of Supervisors shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator James L. Seward, Senator Thomas W. Libous, Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch, Assemblyman Gary D. Finch, Assemblyman Peter D. Lopez, other New York counties, and the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC).

Seconded by Mr. Kreiner

Results of a Roll Call vote were: Yes-1727, No-0, Absent-0

The Chairman declared the resolution duly adopted.

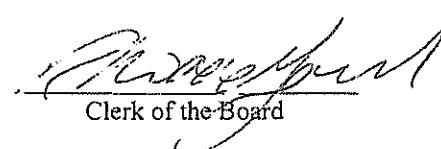
State of New York)
County of Chenango)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Chenango County on the 12th day of March 2012 and of the whole thereof.

Dated, Norwich, N.Y.

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March 14,


Clerk of the Board