

Commencing The Process to Extend The Additional Sales Tax Rate Of One Percent As Previously Authorized By Chapter 200 Of The Laws Of 2002 For An Additional Period Of At Least Twenty-Four Months

Referred to: The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Gregorius, Maio, Maloney, and Richard Parete)

Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Richard A. Gerentine, and Deputy Chairman Donald J. Gregorius offer the following:

WHEREAS, the County's burden for state mandated programs and services has risen in recent years and will continue to do so into the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, strict austerity measures undertaken in operations of the county government have substantially mitigated but not eliminated the financial burden of mandates on Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the additional sales tax rate of one percent as authorized by Chapter 200 of the Laws of 2002 and as subsequently amended, will expire on November 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature wishes to ease the burden on the County property taxpayer by continuing the additional sales tax rate of one percent, as authorized by Chapter 200 of the Laws of 2002 and as subsequently amended, for at least the twenty-four month period commencing December 1, 2015; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to request the New York State Legislature to commence the process of extending the Ulster County additional sales tax rate of one percent, as authorized by Chapter 200 of the Laws of 2002 and as subsequently amended, for at least the twenty-four month period commencing December 1, 2015; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that these intentions be transmitted to New York State Senators George A. Amedore, John J. Bonacic, William J. Larkin, Jr. and James Seward, and New York State Assemblymembers Kevin A. Cahill, Frank K. Skartados and Peter Lopez,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Resolution No. 93 February 17, 2015

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Passed Committee: Ways and Means on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$23,085,589.00 – COUNTY – ANNUALIZED REVENUES FOR 12 MONTHS

**\$ 3,105,079.00 – CITY OF KINGSTON - ANNUALIZED REVENUES FOR
12 MONTHS**

\$ 810,021.00 – TOWNS – ANNUALIZED REVENUES FOR 12 MONTHS