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Ulster County Legislature Welcomes Dr. La Mar Hasbrouck As The New Public Health Director

At the monthly meeting of the Legislature held on October 14, 2009, the Legislature unanimously adopted Resolution No. 305 confirming the appointment of Dr. La Mar Hasbrouck as the new Public Health Director for the County of Ulster.

Legislator Robert Parete stated, "I met with Dr. Hasbrouck and discussed the many challenges that are waiting for him in Ulster County. I believe he is exactly what the Ulster County Legislature had in mind when we created the Charter a few years ago."

Legislator Phil Terpening commented, "It's great that the Legislature fully supported this appointment and I, as well as the other members of the Health Services Committee, look forward to working with Dr. Hasbrouck on health care policy issues of importance to the residents of the County."

Upon his arrival in November, Dr. Hasbrouck will bring a wealth of experience and knowledge including an extensive background in international health issues. He has been employed by the United States Center for Disease Control (CDC) for several years, and has spent the last two years as the Director for the CDC's AIDS Prevention Program in Guyana (South America). Dr. Hasbrouck is looking forward to the responsibility of ushering in a renewed focus on public health in Ulster County, and will be proactive on behalf of so many issues the Legislature initiated in recent history.

Dr. Hasbrouck possesses a medical degree and Masters degree in Public Health Administration (MPH). Ulster County is the only county in New York State that has requires a MPH as part of their criteria for their Public Health Director.

Legislator Robert Parete, Chairman of the Health Services Committee, was included in the County Executive's search process along with representatives of the Ulster County Board of Health. He feels that Dr. Hasbrouck is fully qualified for this appointment. All of the stakeholders that have been involved in the search process, agree that Dr. Hasbrouck is an outstanding candidate.