

Urging The Creation Of An Electronic Monitoring System For All Level 3 Sex Offenders In New York State

The Criminal Justice / Public Safety / STOP DWI Committee (Chairman Meyer and Legislators Aiello, DePew, Every, Dart, Feldmann and Hyatt) and Legislators Rodriguez, Berardi, Donaldson, Kraft, Lomita, Loughran, Provenzano, Shapiro, Zimet, Stock, Cummings, R.A. Parete, R.S. Parete, and Stoeckeler offer the following:

WHEREAS, Level 3 Sex Offenders are considered the most dangerous to the welfare of minors under the age of 18, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has at least 27 Level 3 Sex Offenders in the following communities: City of Kingston, Ardonia, Claryville, Ellenville, Glasco, Highland, Lake Katrine, Marlboro, Tillson, Stone Ridge, and West Park, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County lacks any definitive way to track these individuals in real time, and

WHEREAS, electronic monitoring technology would be able to track such individuals within 15 feet of their actual location, and

WHEREAS, proposed New York State Senate Bill No. S4656 would require electronic monitoring of 4,500 Level 3 Sex Offenders by New York State, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Assembly has yet to pass such legislation and has not done so for the 2005 Legislative Session.

RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature supports New York State Senate Bill No. 4656 and urges the New York State Legislature and Governor Pataki to implement electronic monitoring for the New York State population of Level 3 Sex Offenders, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor George E. Pataki, Comptroller Alan Hevesi, Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno, Senate Minority Leader David A. Paterson, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Assembly Majority Leader Paul A. Tokasz, Assembly Minority Leader Charles Nesbitt, New York State Senators John J. Bonacic and William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Assemblymen Kevin Cahill, Clifford Crouch, Daniel Hooker and Thomas Kirwan, and the New York State Association of Counties,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 31 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Hyatt and Feldmann)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
UNKNOWN

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