

Seeking Requests For Proposals To Develop A Home Heating Oil Cooperative In The County Of Ulster

Legislators Aiello, Cummings, Fabiano, Felicello, Gerentine, Hansut, Harris, Maloney, Noonan, Petit, Roberti, Roberts, Ronk and Terrizzi offer the following:

WHEREAS, home heating oil prices, when combined with the failure of Congress and President Bush to enact a meaningful energy policy are negatively impacting the lives of the people of the County of Ulster, and

WHEREAS, memorializing resolutions, while amounting to words of support have no actual impact on people's lives, and

WHEREAS, our County government has the obligation to achieve results for its constituents, and not to merely talk about results that others should achieve, and

WHEREAS, there has been a proposal made by a County resident calling for the formation of a home heating oil purchasing cooperative.

RESOLVED, that the County of Ulster shall seek immediate proposals from not for profit organizations to establish and run a home heating oil purchasing cooperative, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that interested organizations solicited for potential proposals shall include Rural Ulster Preservation Company, Family of Woodstock, and other organizations recommended by the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, as well as the public in general who would seek to establish such a Cooperative and such proposals shall include at a minimum the time it would take to have such an initiative functioning, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any such proposal are requested to be submitted to the Director of Consumer Protection of the County of Ulster not later than October 31, 2008, with the Legislature reserving its right to form an immediate cooperative if an appropriate proposal is made and otherwise pursuant to law,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 27 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello, Briggs, Kraft,
Shapiro, Sheeley and Zimet)
(Legislator R.A. Parete arrived at 7:25 PM)
(Legislator Terrizzi arrived at 7:48 PM)

Resolution No. 326 October 7, 2008

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Legislator Gregorius motioned, seconded by Legislator Rodriguez to refer the resolution back to the Human Development Committee.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 14 NOES: 13
(NOES: Legislators Cummings, Fabiano, Felicello, Gerentine, Hansut, Harris, Maloney, Noonan, Petit, Roberti, Roberts, Ronk and Terrizzi)
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FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

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