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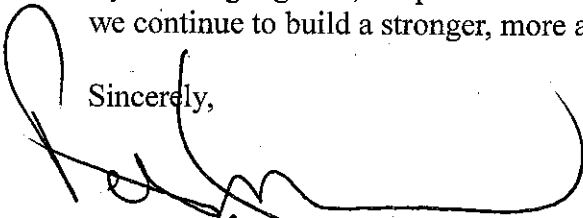
Re: Ulster County Budget, Amendment #31

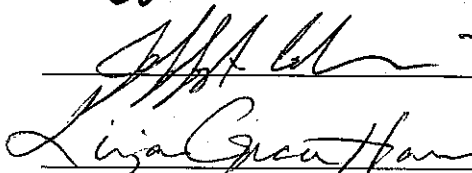
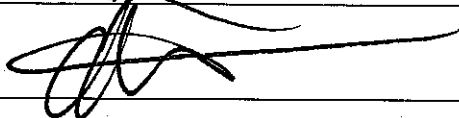
On December 10, 2024, following a comprehensive deliberative process, the Legislature adopted the 2025 Ulster County Budget. On December 15, 2024, following the Legislature's adoption of the budget, labor counsel retained by the County provided a memorandum addressing legal concerns related to Amendment #31, adopted as part of 2025 budget. Due to the budgetary timeline prescribed by the Charter, the Legislature is not empowered to reconsider its budget vote.

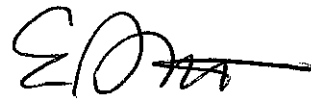
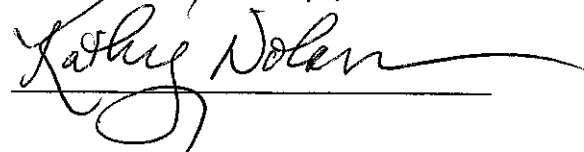
In light of the concerns raised by labor counsel, and the time constrains preventing Legislative reconsideration of the budget, the undersigned members of the Legislature express their support for the Executive's anticipated veto of Amendment No. 31. The undersigned members believe that such a veto ensures fairness, transparency and our shared commitment to responsible governance and the best interests of the residents we serve.


By working together, the potential issues raised will be addressed in the appropriate manner, and we continue to build a stronger, more accountable government for the people of Ulster County.

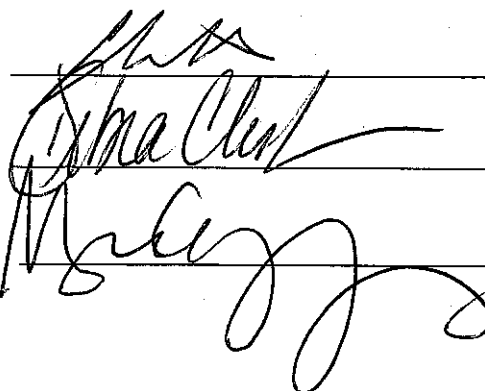
Sincerely,











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