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Amending The Rules Of Order Of The Ulster County Legislature To Change Legislative Meetings on Future September 11 Dates

Referred to: The Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Fabiano, Maio, Ronk, Donaldson, Loughran and Robert Parete)

Legislator Craig V. Lopez offers the following:

WHEREAS, in order to exclude September 11 as a date for any future committee or other meetings of the Ulster County Legislature, it is hereby necessary to amend the following Rules and Sections of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature: Rules 10 (A 2); and

WHEREAS, Rule 10 (A 2) of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature, entitled “MONTHLY AND SPECIAL MEETINGS; NOTICE; RULES OF ORDER,” is set forth as follows, as adopted January 1, 2009 and/or amended by the Ulster County Legislature:

A. Monthly Meetings.

2. If a regular meeting falls on a holiday or if the Chairman determines the safety and welfare of the public and members may be compromised due to inclement weather or any other emergency, said regular session shall be held on another day designated by the Chairman; and

WHEREAS, September 11 represents a significant date in history of the United States of America holding strong emotional and patriotic meaning for Ulster County residents; and

WHEREAS, September 11 is a date when many significant annual events and memorials are scheduled and held to recognize the many lives lost and bravery exhibited on this date; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the attendance and participation of Ulster County Legislators and others employed at the Legislature at local memorials and events by avoiding potential conflicts with any official business of the Ulster County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature expresses strong feelings that elected representatives should be able to support their local communities by having the opportunity to attend events, on this day of observation and reflection that occur on September 11; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, Rule 10 (A 2) of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature, entitled “MONTHLY MEETINGS” is amended as follows:

A. Monthly and Committee Meetings.

2. If a regular or committee meeting falls on a holiday, September 11 or if the Chairman determines the safety and welfare of the public and members may be compromised due to inclement weather or any other emergency, said regular session or committee meetings shall be held on another day designated by the Chairman.

and be it further

RESOLVED, that these changes to the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature shall take effect upon an affirmative vote of this body subsequent to two consecutive readings,

and move its adoption.

FIRST READING:

SECOND READING:

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES:

Passed Committee: Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee on ________________.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE