Resolution No. 44 February 11, 2009

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Dedicate The Ulster Landing County Park, Located On The Banks Of The Hudson River In The Town Of Ulster, New York, In Memory Of Ulster County Native Sojourner Truth

The Public Works and Capital Projects Committee (Chairman Loughran and Legislators Decker, Hochberg, Sheeley, Fabiano, Felicello and Roberts) and Legislators Aiello, Bischoff, Briggs, Cahill, Cummings, Dart, Donaldson, Gerentine, Gregorius, Hansut, Harris, Lomita, Maloney, Noonan, R.A. Parete, R.S. Parete, Petit, Provenzano, Roberti, Rodriguez, Ronk, Shapiro, Stoeckeler, Terpening, Terrizzi and Zimet offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster Landing County Park, is located in the Town of Ulster, New York, on the banks of the Hudson River, and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the aforementioned Park be named, “The Sojourner Truth/Ulster Landing County Park,” and

WHEREAS, Sojourner Truth, was born in what is now Ulster County, New York, and spent much of her adult life as a pioneer and tireless advocate in the fight for women’s rights and for the abolition of slavery; she successfully fought court battles in the Ulster County courthouse to remedy wrongs done to herself and her son through the harsh practices of slavery, and

WHEREAS, Sojourner Truth presents a timeless example of the accomplishments that can be made in the face of great adversity, and has influenced countless individuals as the lessons of her life continue to be taught throughout the passage of generations, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Executive Michael P. Hein has requested the Ulster County Legislature recognize the great and courageous accomplishments of this Ulster County Native, by renaming the “Ulster Landing County Park” as “The Sojourner Truth/Ulster Landing County Park,” so that all who use it may be reminded of Ulster County’s historic connection to and the exemplary life of Ulster County’s own Sojourner Truth, and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Capital Projects Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Sojourner Truth be honored by Memorializing and naming the Ulster Landing County Park as “The Sojourner Truth/Ulster Landing County Park,”
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and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 30 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello and Zimet)
(Legislator Stoeckeler left at 9:11 PM)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 13th Day of February, 2009, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 13th Day of February in the year Two Thousand and Nine.

Mary L. Carey, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this 13th Day of February, 2009.

Approved by the County Executive this 14th Day of February, 2009.

Mary L. Carey, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature