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February 12, 2024

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WAYS & MEANS

Re: Resolution Authorizing Litigation Regarding Chapter 741 of the Laws of 2023 of the State of New York to Protect the County’s Charter, Administrative Code and Home Rule Powers

Dear County Executive Picente:

As you are aware, the above-referenced legislation moves a number of our local elections to line up with state and federal elections in even-numbered years. This law is in direct contrast with terms of office and election years set by the Oneida County Charter.

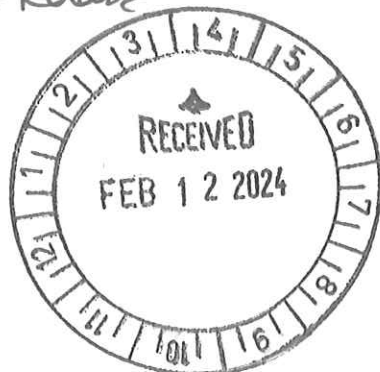
With your approval, I would like to request that the Board of Legislators pass a resolution that authorizes the County to commence and/or participate in legal action against New York State on behalf of the County as well as the Oneida County Board of Legislators, and to include any other plaintiff(s) and/or defendant(s) as deemed appropriate to protect the County’s home rule powers and preserved the Oneida County Charter and Administrative Code. I am further requesting authorization for the you to execute any agreement and/or any necessary documents for the County to retain counsel to represent the County in any such matter.

In light of various statutes of limitation involving the types of claims that the County may bring, I respectfully request that the Board place this matter on their agenda for action at the February 14, 2024 meeting. I would be happy to address any questions or concerns that you may have regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Cortese-Kolasz

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Reviewed and Approved for submittal to the
Oneida County Board of Legislator by

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Date 2-12-24