

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Morning Session**  
**Friday, May 22, 2020**  
**Via Teleconference**

The County Legislature of the County of Steuben convened in Special Session via teleconference on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. and was called to order by the Chairman of the Legislature, Scott J. Van Etten.

Roll Call and all members present except Legislator Mullen.

Chairman Van Etten asked Mrs. Ferratella to lead the Invocation and Chairman Van Etten led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**RESOLUTION NO. 127-20**

Introduced by G. Swackhamer.

Seconded by K. Fitzpatrick.

**REQUESTING THE ADOPTION OF SENATE BILL NO. S.8345 AND ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A.10416 EXTENDING THE ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES TAX FOR STEUBEN COUNTY.**

Pursuant to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of New York and Section 40 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**WHEREAS**, it appears that the County could be facing a sizeable tax increase without extension of the additional sales tax; and

**WHEREAS**, this increase would impose a disproportionate share of the increase on property owners; and

**WHEREAS**, the need for additional revenues should be spread among all segments of the County's populace in order to minimize impact on any one segment of the people; and

**WHEREAS**, the Steuben County Legislature heretofore requested Home Rule legislation authorizing an additional one percent sales tax pursuant to Resolution No. 013-20 duly adopted January 27, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Committee subsequently approved increasing the cities shares to \$820,000 each for Hornell and Corning, and in addition, the sum of \$790,000 to the towns and villages of the County of Steuben, based on their respective equalized full value; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. S8345 and Assembly Bill No. A10416 have been introduced authorizing the extension of the one percent sales tax relative to a home rule request for an extension of an additional one percent sales tax; and

**WHEREAS**, a necessity exists for the passage of such legislation by the New York State Legislature.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Steuben County Legislature hereby requests the New York State Legislature adopt special Home Rule legislation as presented in Senate Bill No. S8345 and Assembly Bill No. A10416 to authorize the Steuben County Legislature to extend the additional one percent sales tax; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, New York State Governor, New York State Capitol Building, Albany, NY 12224; Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins, NYS Senate Majority Leader, 907 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247; Honorable John J. Flanagan, NYS Senate Minority Leader, 909 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247; Honorable Carl E. Heastie, Speaker, New York State

Assembly, 932 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Honorable Crystal D. Peoples-Stokes, NYS Assembly Majority Leader, 926 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Honorable William A. Barclay, NYS Assembly Minority Leader, Capitol 444, Albany, NY 12248; Honorable Thomas M. O'Mara, New York State Senator, 406 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247; Honorable Philip A. Palmesano, New York State Assemblyman, 320 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Honorable Joseph M. Giglio, New York State Assemblyman, 525 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Honorable Marjorie Byrnes, New York State Assemblywoman, 723 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; and Deborah R. Liebman, Esq., New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, W.A. Harriman Campus, Bldg. 9, Room 228, Albany, NY 12227.

**Vote: Roll Call – Adopted. Yes – 9275; No – 0; Absent – 597; Abstained – 0  
(Absent – Legislator Mullen)**

***Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Roush, seconded by Ms. Lattimer and duly carried.***