

Urging Governor Cuomo And The New York State Senate To Approve The Appointment Of Hilary Smith To The Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) Board In Accordance With Chapter 60 Of The New York State Laws Of 2012

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning & Transit Committee (Chairman Maloney and Legislators Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez and Woltman)

Deputy Chairman of the Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning & Transit Committee, Hector Rodriguez, offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 60 of the New York State Laws of 2012, which was signed by Governor Cuomo on March 30, 2012, the Belleayre Mountain Ski Center became a part of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (herein and after known as “ORDA”), and

WHEREAS, Belleayre is a substantial economic asset for all of New York State, but in particular Ulster and Delaware Counties, and

WHEREAS, as part of the agreement to include Belleayre as a part of ORDA:

- The ORDA Board of Directors was increased from seven (7) to nine (9) members to allow for one member each from Delaware and Ulster Counties as appointed by the Governor, subject to the advice and consent of the New York State Senate;
- ORDA’s Community Advisory Board was increased from 15 to 19 members with two additional members appointed by the Delaware County Board of Supervisors and two by the Ulster County Legislature;
- ORDA will maintain an office located at Belleayre; and
- One of two ORDA Vice-Chairs shall be a resident of Ulster or Delaware Counties with the person chosen at the recommendation of the Town Boards of Middletown and Shandaken, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature supported Belleayre becoming a part of ORDA and values the inclusion of an Ulster County resident as a member of the Authority’s Board of Directors, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature supports the appointment of Hilary Smith to represent Ulster County on the ORDA Board, now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature respectfully urges Governor Cuomo to appoint Hillary Smith to the Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, and all representatives of Ulster County in the New York State Legislature,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Postponed in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on July 30, 2018

Defeated in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on September 4, 2018

Petition to Discharge not executed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE