Resolution No. 549 December 18, 2019

Adopting The Ulster County Code Of Conduct

Referred to: The Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Donaldson and Legislators Archer, Heppner, Roberts, and Ronk)

Chairwoman of the Legislature, Tracey A. Bartels, offers the following:

WHEREAS, Ulster County's elected officials, including the County Executive, County Comptroller, County Clerk, Sheriff, District Attorney, members of the County Legislature, and all appointees of the aforementioned, and members of all Boards, Committees and Commissions, are stewards of the public interest and have a critical responsibility to shape the County's public discourse; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and businesses of Ulster County are entitled to fair, ethical, accountable and effective local government; and

WHEREAS, to assure the proper and faithful execution of governmental responsibilities, all elected and appointed officials, while exercising their office, must conduct themselves in a manner that will instill public confidence and trust in the fair operation and integrity of Ulster County's government; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has the authority and jurisdiction to promulgate a code of conduct for County officials and to establish a Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission to enforce such code; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Ulster County Legislature adopts the Ulster County Code of Conduct For Elected and Appointed Officials,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES:

Postponed in Committee: Laws and Rules, Governmental Services on December 16, 2019

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE