

Amending The Rules Of Order To Set Procedure For Memorializing Resolutions

Referred to: The Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Fabiano, Maio, Ronk, Donaldson, Loughran and Robert Parete)

Legislators Kevin A. Roberts, Richard A. Gerentine, James F. Maloney, John R. Parete and Richard A. Parete offer the following:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Ulster County Legislature to amend Rule 3, entitled “*RESOLUTIONS, LOCAL LAWS, RULES FOR PROCEDURE FOR PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION,*” of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature to set procedure for memorializing resolutions, adding C(c); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Rule 3 of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature shall be amended to add Section C(c) to read as follows:

C(c) Any resolution which memorializes the New York State Legislature, Congress of United States, any other legislative body, or any government agency to take an action which does not require a home rule message, shall be referred to the Clerk of the Legislature for the purpose of being read as a communication. The resolution shall then be labeled a Declaration of Endorsement or a Declaration of Opposition by County Legislators. Any member who desires to register their position on the Declaration may sign the same, indicating their support or opposition thereto. Thirty days or in such timely manner to be effectual from the date of the reading of said communication, the Clerk shall forward the signed Declaration with the following language to the appropriate legislative body and public officials: “The enclosed Declaration represents the opinion of those members of the Ulster County Legislature signing the same regarding the contents of subject matter of the Declaration.” Under the Rules of the Ulster County Legislature, a Legislator may sign said Declaration or may in the alternative elect not to sign the Declaration. A Legislator may sign in person or via email, and may leave comment either for or against. Comments must be limited to subject matter;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Rule 2, entitled “AMENDMENT OF RULES,” of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature, this resolution and the amendment proposed herein shall be read at two consecutive meetings of the Ulster County Legislature prior to its adoption; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, that this rule change shall take effect upon an affirmative vote of this body subsequent to two consecutive readings,

and moves its adoption.

FIRST READING:

SECOND READING:

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Passed Committee: Laws and Rules, Governmental Services on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE