

Supporting The Proposed United States Public Service Academy

The Laws and Rules Committee (Chairman Bischoff and Legislators Cahill, Decker, R.S. Parete, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Cummings, Maloney and Roberts) and Legislators Aiello, Donaldson, Fabiano, Felicello, Gerentine, Hochberg, R.A. Parete, Hansut, Harris, Noonan, Petit, Roberti, Ronk and Terrizzi offer the following:

WHEREAS, Bills (The “United States Public Service Academy Act” HR 2102) have been proposed in the United States Congress in order to create the United States Public Service Academy; HR 2012 would create an undergraduate institution designed to cultivate and groom a new generation of young leaders dedicated to public service, and

WHEREAS, The United States Public Service Academy will be modeled after the military service academies; the Academy will provide a four-year, federally-subsidized college education for more than 5,000 students a year, and

WHEREAS, this proposed national Academy, once signed into Law, will become an exemplary collegiate institution for American students achieving a Congressional recommendation and national scholarship, in order to receive a unique undergraduate education and degree in public service, public policy, leadership and civics, and humanitarian response to crises, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Government, as well as the State and Federal Government, and their respective Agencies and Departments, will benefit from the expertise and service of those graduated by the United States Public Service Academy, in their performance of five years of mandatory public service, and

WHEREAS, the proposed United States Public Service Academy, once enacted, will become part of the glorious heritage of dedicated service by the young people of The United States of America, through the efforts of its graduates, and

WHEREAS, this Legislative Body strongly promotes the consideration of the proposed Academy to be situated within the boundaries of Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the Laws and Rules Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature, on behalf of the County of Ulster and those named below, supports the mission of the United States Public Service Academy Organization to facilitate the creation of the United States Public Service Academy, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward a copy of this resolution to the United States Public Service Academy,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 28

NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Aiello, Lomita, R.A. Parete,
Roberti and Sheeley)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE

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