Resolution No. 93 February 10, 2005

Creating A Search Committee For The Position Of Ulster County Commissioner Of Buildings And Grounds

Legislator Donaldson offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law Number 5 of 1995, entitled "A Local Law to Create the Office of Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds and the Department of Buildings and Grounds for the County of Ulster", a department head known as the Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds was created by the Ulster County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Law, the term of office for the Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds is a two-year term expiring on the 31st day of December of each even numbered year, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said local law, the term of the most recent Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds, Harvey J. Sleight, expired on December 31, 2002, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has not reappointed Harvey J. Sleight to the position of the Commissioner of Buildings and grounds for the term commencing January 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2006, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has not appointed anyone to the position of the Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds for the term commencing January 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2006, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5 of Public Officers Law of the State of New York, Harvey J. Sleight continues to hold over and continue in the office of Ulster County Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds until his successor shall be chosen and qualified, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Ulster to appoint a new Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Buildings and Grounds and its employees would have more stability with a permanent appointment for the position of Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds.

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Committee that oversees the Department of Buildings and Grounds, with consultation with the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature, will form a search committee for the purpose of finding and interviewing candidates for appointment to the position of Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds, and

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that such committee will be formed within ten (10) days of the passage of this resolution, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that such committee will be made up of five (5) to seven (7) members of the Legislature with proportional representation between the majority and minority parties, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that such committee will either be the same members that conducted the 2004 Search for the Commissioner of Highway and Bridges or, in the alternative, the Chairman of the Committee overseeing the Department of Buildings and Grounds may call for the creation of a new committee, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event a new committee is formed, the Chairman of the Committee overseeing Buildings and Grounds will choose the members of his respective party for the majority party's representation on said search committee and the Minority Leader will choose the members of his respective party for representation on said committee, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that after said search committee has reviewed applications and interviewed qualified candidates for said position, it will recommend a candidate for the position of Commissioner of Buildings and Grounds to the full Legislature by the April 2005 meeting of that body,

and moves its adoption.

DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 12 NOES: 20 (Legislators: Bartels, Berardi, Dart, Donaldson, Hyatt, Kraft, Lomita, Loughran, R.S. Parete, Provenzano, Rodriguez and Shapiro) (Legislator Tipp left at 7:17 P.M.)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE

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