## **SPECIAL SESSION**

## **TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2013**

Chairwoman Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. The Board observed a moment of silence in honor of the passing of former Human Resources Director Stephen R. Miller.

## **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

All members present except Legislators Ormsby and Behling.

Chairwoman Fitzpatrick entertained a motion and second to waive the Standing Rules to permit the introduction of a resolution for consideration. Such motion was made by Legislator Docteur seconded by Legislator Thomas and unanimously carried.

## Resolution No. 138

Concurring in Request for Enactment of Home Rule Legislation Assembly Bill A7374, Senate Bill S5061 - Amending the New York State Tax
Law to Authorize the County of Jefferson to Continue to Impose an Additional Rate of
Sales Tax of Three Quarters of One Percent

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, By Resolution No. 97 of 2013, this Board of Legislators requested the introduction of a bill in the State Legislature which would amend the New York State Tax Law to allow the County of Jefferson to extend the imposition of an additional sales tax of three quarters of one percent (3/4%) until November 30, 2015, and

Whereas, The aforesaid legislation has been introduced in both houses of the State Legislature as Assembly Bill A7374 and Senate Bill S5061, and

Whereas, Article IX of the State Constitution and Section 40 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law require a home rule request be made to the State Legislature before the aforesaid Bills may be enacted into law, and

Whereas, The Chairman of this Board has determined to make a home rule request for the enactment of the aforesaid Bills into law.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Board does hereby concur in the home rule request of the Chairman of this Board for enactment of Assembly Bill A7374 and Senate Bill S5061 to amend the New York State Tax Law to allow the County of Jefferson to continue to impose an additional sales tax of three quarters of one percent (3/4%) until November 30, 2015, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of this Board and the Clerk of this Board are authorized to file the appropriate home rule request with the New York State Assembly and the New York State Senate.

Seconded by Legislator: Michael A. Montigelli

Mr. Hagemann advised that we received a request from Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush to address this resolution before the Board Session next week in order to fit it into the NYS Assembly process.

Legislator Peck inquired why there is an end date of November 30, 2015. Mr. Hagemann explained that it is set by New York State Statute.

Legislator Docteur thanked the Assemblyman Blankenbush and Senator Ritchie for sponsoring the bills and for moving this forward relating that it will mean a tax break for property owners and residents as many of these taxes are paid by Canadian citizens who come to the area to shop.

All members present voted aye.

There being no further business of the Board, on a motion by Legislator Docteur seconded by Legislator Ferris and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Hagemann, III

Clerk of the Board