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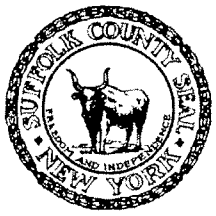

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December 30, 2011

Presiding Officer William J. Lindsay and
Members of the Suffolk County Legislature
William H. Rogers Legislative Building
725 Veterans Memorial Highway
Smithtown, New York 11787

RE: RESOLUTION NO. 1071-2011, SETTING POLICE DEPARTMENT FEES

Dear Presiding Officer Lindsay and Members of the Legislature:

I AM RETURNING HEREIN RESOLUTION 1071 -2011, SETTING POLICE DEPARTMENT FEES vetoed in its entirety.

These are extraordinarily hard conditions our taxpayers are facing. Too many of our residents are losing their jobs, paying more into their benefits and some even seeing their pensions reduced. Major tax and fee increases are the last thing our residents wish to see in these very difficult economic times.

The tax and fee increases passed by the Legislature over the past month were, and are, avoidable. Had we simply closed the nursing home by January 1st and required employees to contribute to their healthcare, as I recommended in my proposed budget, the taxpayers could be given a break.

Over the last month the Legislature increased the property tax, removed the cap on gasoline taxes, increased fees charged to individuals seeking access to our parks; increased fees for services provided to the public through our Medical Examiner's office and our County Clerk's office, and increased fees for individuals seeking applications to our Suffolk County Planning Commission. Additionally, the Legislature is poised to vote for a $0.50 increase in bus fares, which has a disproportionately high impact on the poor and working class.

Hopefully, the Legislature can work in the upcoming year toward moving the huge loses of the nursing home off of our books and require employees to pay a fair share into their healthcare costs. Every month that goes by without these measures being implemented is millions of dollars that are wasted. We cannot tax and fee our way out of difficult economic times.

LOCATION:
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For these reasons, I urge the Legislature to sustain my veto.

Sincerely,

Steve Levy

Steve Levy
County Executive of Suffolk County

Intro. Res. No. 2116-2011 Laid on Table 12/6/2011
Introduced by Presiding Officer Lindsay

RESOLUTION NO. 1071 -2011, SETTING POLICE DEPARTMENT FEES

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 49-2011 repealed what was formally Chapter 704 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE, which had set certain fees for copies of records requested from the Suffolk County Police Department; and

WHEREAS, most of the fees in the old Chapter 704 were invalidated by the courts; and

WHEREAS, several Department fees are still valid and need to be reinstituted; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that upon request of an authorized person, the Police Department shall provide a letter of good conduct upon payment of twenty dollars ($20.00) by the requesting party for each letter; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that the Police Department shall charge a fee of ten dollars ($10.00) for each individual fingerprinting request; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: DEC 2 0 2011

APPROVED BY: VETOED

County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: DEC 2 8 2011

Intro. Res. 2116 Res. No. 1071 December 20, 2011

Motion:
Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloria-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Co-Sponsors:
Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloria-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Second:
Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloria-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

LD	Legislator	Yes	No	Abs	NP	R
1	Edward P. ROMAINE	✓				
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN	✓				
3	Kate M. BROWNING	✓				
4	Thomas MURATORE	✓				
6	Sarah S. ANKER	✓				
7	Jack EDDINGTON	✓				
9	Ricardo MONTANO	✓				
10	Thomas CILMI	✓				
11	Thomas F. BARRAGA	✓				
12	John M. KENNEDY, JR.	✓				
13	Lynne C. NOWICK	✓				
14	Wayne R. HORSLEY	✓				
15	DuWayne GREGORY	✓				
16	Steven H. STERN	✓				
17	Lou D'AMARO	✓				
18	Jon COOPER	✓				
5	Vivian VILORIA-FISHER, D.P.O.	✓				
8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.	✓				
	Totals	18				

MOTION

X Approve
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___ Lay On The Table
___ Discharge
___ Take Out of Order
___ Reconsider
___ Waive Rule ___
___ Override Veto
___ Close
___ Recess

APPROVED X FAILED ___
No Motion ___ No Second ___

RESOLUTION DECLARED

✓ ADOPTED
___ NOT ADOPTED

Roll Call ___ Voice Vote X

Tim Laube

Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature