

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Steve Levy
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

April 7, 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 198-2011; APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE
HEALTH AND SPORTS FACILITY – EASTERN CAMPUS (CP 2120)

Dear Presiding Officer Lindsay and Members of the Legislature:

I am returning herein Resolution No. 198 -2011; "APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN
CONNECTION WITH THE HEALTH AND SPORTS FACILITY – EASTERN CAMPUS"
and its accompanying Bond Resolution 199-2011 vetoed in its entirety.

For the last two months, legislators have continually made statements at committees, at
the general sessions of the Legislature and in the media about their concern over the
amount of debt the county has generated.

If the Legislature is indeed serious about controlling debt, it has to sometimes say 'No',
and this project is one place to start.

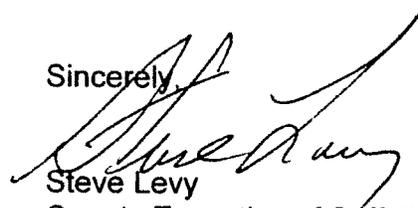
This resolution appropriates \$500,000 for the planning for a Sports and Health Center at
the Eastern campus in Riverhead. Due to our county's geography, Suffolk is rather
unique in that we have three campuses for our community college. This arrangement
gives students in the western, central and eastern ends of the county convenient local
access to educational services.

However, in the minds of some, this three campus configuration seems to mean that
each campus should have identical facilities; in other words three libraries, three gyms,
three health centers, three auditoriums, and so on. This is just not something the
taxpayers of Suffolk County can afford at this time.

This Legislature, if serious about debt, needs to look carefully at college capital projects and to shake itself of the notion that three satellite campuses need to be developed identically.

For these reasons, I urge you to sustain my veto.

Sincerely,



Steve Levy

County Executive of Suffolk County

cc: All Suffolk County Legislators
Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature
Christine Malafi, Esq., Suffolk County Attorney
Lynne A. Bizzarro, Esq., Chief Deputy County Attorney
Christopher Kent, Chief Deputy County Executive
Edward Dumas, Chief Deputy County Executive
Eric Naughton, Deputy County Executive for Finance and Management
Ken Crannell, Deputy County Executive
Connie Corso, Budget Director
Eric Kopp, Assistant Deputy County Executive
Dan Aug, Director of Communications
Mark Smith, Deputy Director of Communications

RESOLUTION NO. 198 -2011, APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE HEALTH AND SPORTS FACILITY - EASTERN CAMPUS (CP 2120)

WHEREAS, the President of Suffolk County Community College and the Board of Trustees have requested funds for the implementation of the Master Plan Update – Phase I estimated at \$65,274,000; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature and the Governor have included funding in the New York State Budget to cover the State’s share estimated at \$32,547,000; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been included in the 2011 Capital Budget and Program to cover the County’s cost of the project; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994 as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006, established the use of a priority ranking system, implemented in the Adopted 2011 Capital Budget as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature, by Resolution of even date herewith, has authorized the issuance of \$500,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being a funding agency, hereby finds and determines in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) that the adoption of this law is a Type II action, pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(18) and (27), since it constitutes a local legislative decision in connection with information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, traffic counts, engineering studies, surveys, subsurface investigations and soil studies that do not commit the agency to undertake, fund or approve any Type 1 or Unlisted action. As a Type II action, the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of thirty-eight (38), is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 471-1994 as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the proceeds of \$500,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds be and they are hereby appropriated as follows:

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>JC</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-2120.110 (Fund 818-Debt Service)	Planning for the Health and Sport Facility - Easter Campus	30	\$500,000

and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that State Aid be and it hereby is appropriated as follows:

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>JC</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-2120.110 (Fund 818-Debt Service)	Planning for the Health and Sports Facility - Eastern Campus	30	\$500,000

DATED: March 22, 2011

APPROVED BY:



County Executive of Suffolk County

Date:

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Intro. Res.

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Res. No.

198

March 22, 2011

Motion:

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

Co-Sponsors:

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

Second:

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

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

MOTION
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___ Table: _____
___ Send To Committee
___ Table Subject To Call
___ Lay On The Table
___ Discharge
___ Take Out of Order
___ Reconsider
___ Waive Rule ___
___ Override Veto
___ Close
___ Recess
APPROVED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAILED ___
No Motion ___ No Second ___

RESOLUTION DECLARED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADOPTED
___ NOT ADOPTED

Tim Laube

Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature

Roll Call ___ Voice Vote