

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 710 OF 2011

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Sokol, Thomas, Champagne, Taylor and McDevitt

**OPPOSING THE NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HEALTH PLANNING
COUNCIL'S EMERGENCY REGULATIONS CONCERNING
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AGENCIES
(CHHA'S) AND RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN EXECUTING AN E-MAIL OPPOSING SAID ACTION**

WHEREAS, the New York State Public Health Planning Council has released emergency regulations enabling the establishment of additional Certified Home Health Agencies (CHHA's) without the demonstration of public need, and

WHEREAS, said regulations will enable agencies other than Warren County Certified Home Care Agency to operate in Warren County and "cherry pick" cases in those areas with higher population density and would compromise care to individuals in more remote areas of the county and put the County CHHA in a more precarious financial situation, and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors signed and sent an e-mail to the New York State Health Commissioner, Dr. Nirav Shah, the New York State Public Health Planning Council, John Ruge, MD, CEO and the New York State Home Care Association opposing said action, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in signing and sending an e-mail in opposition to said action to the individuals and agencies as aforementioned stated are hereby ratified, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo; Senator Charles E. Schumer; Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand; Congressman Christopher Gibson; Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little; and Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward; New York State Health Commissioner, Dr. Nirav Shah, the New York State Public Health Planning Council, John Ruge, MD, CEO and the New York State Home Care Association.