

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 310 OF 2015

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Monroe, Girard, Sokol, Wood, Frasier, Westcott and Strough

SUPPORTING NEW YORK STATE SENATE BILL S.4240 AND NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY BILL A.6425, TO AMEND COUNTY LAW IN RELATION TO COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC VITALITY, NUTRITION AND HEALTHY FAMILIES AND 4-H/YOUTH DEVELOPMENT UNDER A FORM OF ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION APPROVED BY CORNELL UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, New York State Senate Bill S.4240 and New York State Assembly Bill A.6425, AN ACT to amend the county law, in relation to community and economic vitality, nutrition and healthy families, and 4-H/youth development under a form of organization and administration approved by Cornell University, calls for an update to the mission of the Cornell Cooperative Extensions, eliminating the outdated term, “home economics” and focusing on economic and community vitality, nutrition, healthy families and agriculture, and

WHEREAS, this statutory change would specifically recognize youth development and 4-H as a mission for Cornell Cooperative Extensions, and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extensions in New York are unique, in that much of their funding depends upon strong support from fiscally strapped County governments and the proposed Bill would specify that any additional State appropriations would be distributed in a proportionate share to the local County’s appropriations, and

WHEREAS, this change would not require the County government to increase its own share of support for the local Extensions, but continues to maintain an incentive for Counties to maximize their share of State resources available under County Law Section 224 through providing a robust local share, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby supports New York State Senate Bill S.4240 and New York State Assembly Bill A.6425, 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 the New York State Association of Counties, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator Elizabeth O’C. Little, and Assemblyman Daniel G. Stec.