

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 311 OF 2015

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

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW TO ALLOW ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES UP TO 1,500 POUNDS TO BE REGISTERED

WHEREAS, an all terrain side-by-side seating vehicle has been developed by All Terrain Vehicle (“ATV”) manufacturers, referred to as a Utility Task Vehicle (“UTV”), and

WHEREAS, this vehicle is better suited for the elderly, handicapped and less active riders because it allows two people to ride side-by-side, and

WHEREAS, the current New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law allows only ATV’s weighing up to 1,000 pounds to be registered, but will not allow UTV’s to be registered because they weigh more than 1,000 pounds, and

WHEREAS, the Adirondack Local Government Review Board and the Inter-County Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks believe that the ATV weight limit for registration should be raised to 1,500 pounds to accommodate the registration of UTV’s, and

WHEREAS, the ability to register ATV’s/UTV’s weighing up to 1,500 pounds and ride them on multiuse trail systems will provide significant economic benefits to local businesses, towns, counties and New York State, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby supports New York State Senate Bill No. S1792A and New York State Assembly Bill No. A.01951 to raise the defined weight of an ATV to 1,500 pounds of dry weight, 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, Assemblyman Daniel G. Stec, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the Adirondack Park Agency.