

# Warren County Board of Supervisors

## RESOLUTION NO. 512 OF 2015

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

**CALLING UPON THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO SET THE TAX CAP FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES AT THE SAME PERCENTAGE LEVEL USED BY THE STATE FOR THE NEW YORK STATE BUDGET**

WHEREAS, in 2011, New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature adopted what is commonly referred to and known as New York State's Property Tax Cap to address New York's ever increasing property taxes, and

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Cap set in place a cap on growth of property taxes in New York whereby real property taxes are capped at two percent (2%) per year or the rate on inflation, whichever is less, and

WHEREAS, the focus of the tax cap has been on the laudable goal of driving down costs of government services through cuts and consolidation in services and heightened economic development aimed at alleviating the pressure of the tax cap; and

WHEREAS, modifying the tax cap legislation so that the annual New York State Tax Cap Rate for counties and municipalities shall be equal to the same percentage the Governor and New York State Legislature adopt for the annual New York State budget for the prior year will provide a more fair and consistent system for counties and municipalities, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors call upon the Governor and the State Legislature to modify the State Tax Cap Legislation so that the annual tax cap rate for Counties and municipalities shall be equal to the same percentage the Governor and the New York State Legislature adopt for the annual New York State budget for the prior year to provide for a more fair and consistent system for Counties and municipalities, and

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.