

# Warren County Board of Supervisors

## RESOLUTION NO. 619 OF 2012

**Resolution introduced by Supervisors Monroe, Bentley, Thomas, Girard, Sokol, Wood and Frasier**

**REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES SENATE AND CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW YORK STATE TO SEEK FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE ERADICATION OF INVASIVE SPECIES IN LAKE GEORGE**

WHEREAS, Lake George is a treasured natural resource for New York State as well as the nation and the Lake enjoys a reputation for pure and clear water quality, which, combined with the natural beauty of the surrounding environment presents unmatched vacation and recreational opportunities and serves as the engine for tourism and the economy of the region, and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Lake George has experienced the introduction of non-native invasive species such as Asian clams, Zebra mussels and Eurasian Watermilfoil, which, if left unchecked will have serious impacts to water quality and habitat and may threaten the stability of Lake George and its surrounding environs, and

WHEREAS, Warren County has contributed hundreds of thousands of dollars to programs designed to eradicate and/or contain the spread of non-invasive species in Lake George, but recent studies have demonstrated that a much larger and aggressive effort is needed to combat invasive species in Lake George and funding for these efforts needs to be secured at both the State and Federal levels, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the United States Senate Representatives of New York State and Congressional Representatives of New York State seek Federal funding for the eradication of Invasive species such as Asian clams, Zebra mussels and Eurasian water milfoil in Lake George, 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 Senator Charles E. Schumer; Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand; Congressman Christopher Gibson; Congressman William Owens, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo; Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little; Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward, the New York State Association of Counties; Adirondack Park Agency; Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board; the Lake George Park Commission, and DEC Commissioner Joe Martens.