

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 103 OF 2013

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

URGING THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO COMPENSATE COUNTIES FOR STATE MANDATED DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S SALARIES

WHEREAS, the salaries of full-time District Attorneys and the Clerks of the five boroughs of New York City are statutorily tied to those of New York State judges and justices in the Unified Court System, and

WHEREAS, when salaries increase for judges and justices, counties are mandated to raise the salaries of their District Attorneys as required under section 183-a of the Judiciary Law, and

WHEREAS, New York State has significantly increased judges' salaries over the next three years, forcing counties to increase pay for District Attorneys, and

WHEREAS, this increased State mandate requires Warren County to raise the salary of the District Attorney from \$119,340.72 in 2011, and \$140,300 in 2013, and possibly \$152,500 by 2014, and

WHEREAS, although the State pays the entire salary and benefits of judges and justices, the State only provides supplemental appropriations to counties to partially cover the cost of State-mandated pay for local District Attorneys, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to reimburse counties for the entire amount of District Attorneys' mandated pay and its associated retirement and social security costs leaving counties responsible only for any portion of District Attorneys' compensation that exceeds the State's mandated amount, 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 Charles E. Schumer; Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand; Congressman Christopher Owens; Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little; and Assemblyman Daniel G. Stec.