RESOLUTION NO. 82

AMENDING THE ALBANY COUNTY CHARTER AND ADOPTING THE CHARTER PROPOSAL OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Introduced: 2/9/16 By Messrs. Crouse, Hogan, Tunny and Ms. Lockart:

WHEREAS, The County Legislature appointed the Albany County Charter Review Commission for the expressed purpose of updating and modifying the county charter, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Charter Review Commission submitted its recommendations to the County Legislature in January, 2014, which included among numerous recommendations that the County Legislature be reduced in size from its current number of 39 members to 25 members, and

WHEREAS, The County Legislature provided numerous amendments to the Albany County Charter Review Commission's report, including the elimination of the recommendation that the Legislature be reduced from 39 members to 25 members, and

WHEREAS, Those amendments were passed by the Legislature and submitted to the voters of Albany County on Election Day, November 3, 2015, and

WHEREAS, The voters of Albany County rejected adoption of the amended county charter by approximately 27,000 to 16,000 votes, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the original recommendations of the Albany County Charter Review Commission, including the recommendation to reduce the size of the County Legislature from 39 members to 25 members, is hereby reintroduced for consideration by the County Legislature, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Law Committee. 2/9/16