

RESOLUTION NO. 126

REQUESTING THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CIVIC CENTER TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ASSIST ALBANY COUNTY RESIDENTS TO PURCHASE EVENT TICKETS

Introduced: 3/9/15

By Ms. Connolly, Mr. Joyce and Civic Center Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Civic Center has long been a great asset to the residents of the County, and

WHEREAS, As a municipality-owned arena, the government leaders who were responsible for the building of the civic center intended to provide a service that could be afforded by all families, both rich and poor, and

WHEREAS, Over the years the County has witnessed a scarcity of affordable tickets due to ticket resale operations purchasing large blocks of tickets from the County ticket agent and subsequently reselling the tickets at exorbitant prices, and

WHEREAS, This ticket scalper operation has effectively thwarted the intent and purpose of the civic center and it is critical that the issue be investigated and possible solutions be pursued, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the General Manger of the Civic Center is requested to review the aforementioned issue and report back to the Legislative Civic Center Committee with recommendations to help the residents of Albany County to ensure that they will have access to the event tickets sold by the County's ticket agent rather than having to resort to getting tickets at the exorbitant prices charged by the ticket resale operations, 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 Civic Center Committee. 3/9/15

Adopted by unanimous vote. 5/11/15