## **RESOLUTION NO. 326**

REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONER OF GENERAL SERVICES TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS OF UTILIZING SOLAR ENERGY

Introduced: 8/10/15

By Messrs. Reilly, Mackey, Cotrofeld, Feeney, Public Works Committee, Messrs. Mayo, O'Brien, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Beston, Bullock, Clay, Commisso, Corcoran, Domalewicz, Higgins, Jacobson, Mss. Kinsch, McKnight and Mr. Ward:

WHEREAS, Albany County has a strong interest in being energy independent by utilizing renewable sources of energy, and

WHEREAS, Solar panel technology is an increasingly viable and affordable tool in reducing the County's energy footprint, and therefore lowering energy costs annually, and

WHEREAS, While solar panel arrays are commonly mounted or affixed to the buildings directly to convey the generated electricity, there are various other models available to the County to utilize, and

WHEREAS, It is important for the County to be advised as to which models of solar panels and panel arrays are the most beneficial to the County, in terms of energy cost savings and reduction of our energy footprint, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the Commissioner of the Department of General Services is requested to review the aforementioned issue and report back to the Legislative Conservation and Improvement Committee with recommendations on the viability and efficiency of the different types of solar panels and arrays, 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 Public Works Committee. 8/10/15 Adopted by unanimous vote. 9/14/15