

RESOLUTION NO. 343

REQUESTING THE NYS LIQUOR AUTHORITY TO RESTRICT THE HOURS OF SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION

Introduced: 8/8/11

By Messrs. Bullock and Domalewicz:

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of this Honorable Body that late night sales of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption frequently fuels unsafe and unhealthy binge drinking and raucous, destructive behavior that interferes with the health, safety and welfare of both those engaging in such conduct and those who are subjected to the behavior that such undisciplined and unsupervised consumption of alcoholic beverages engenders, and

WHEREAS, Any restriction of the hours of sale set forth in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law and the administrative rules thereunder requires a resolution of this Honorable Body requesting such restriction in the hours of sale, and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Honorable Body that it is in the best interests of the residents of Albany County and will contribute greatly to the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the County that the hours of sale for beer and wine products that are now, or may in the future be licensed for sale in grocery stores and drugstores within Albany County for off-premises consumption be further restricted from those now set forth in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature hereby requests that the New York State Liquor Authority take the appropriate steps to restrict the hours of sale of beer and wine products as defined in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law as follows: Weekdays including Saturdays between 2:00 AM and 8:00 AM and Sundays between 2:00 AM and 12:00 PM (noon), and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the Chairperson of the NYS Liquor Authority and the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Law and Audit and Finance Committees. 8/8/11