RESOLUTION NO. 11

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION REGARDING THE RAIL TRAIL PROJECT

Introduced: 2/8/10 By Public Works Committee, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Bullock, Clenahan, Dawson, Higgins, Ms. McKnight, Messrs. Reilly and Scavo:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Public Works has requested approval to submit a grant application for up to \$5,000,000 to the U.S. Department of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program regarding the Albany County Rail Trail Project, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the project proposes to establish a 9.3 mile multi-use path from the Village of Voorheesville through the Towns of New Scotland and Bethlehem to the City of Albany on an abandoned rail trail, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the funding would be used to offset the construction cost for the Rail Trail Project which is estimated at \$7,775,000, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner further indicated that construction will include regrading the trail bed, paving, bridge rehabilitation and replacement, traffic control devices along the trail and at highway crossings, erosion control, drainage and access points to the trail, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application for funding up to \$5,000,000 to the U.S. Department of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program regarding the Albany County Rail Trail Project, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application as to form and content, 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.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 2/8/10