RESOLUTION NO. 159

REQUESTING THE ALBANY COUNTY DIVISION OF INFORMATION SERVICES TO CREATE A LINK ON THE ALBANY COUNTY WEBSITE TO THE NY-ALERT WEBSITE TO FACILITATE COUNTY RESIDENTS RECEIVING ALERTS WHEN SEX OFFENDERS MOVE INTO THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS

Introduced: 4/12/10

By Messrs. McCoy, Aylward, Beston, Bullock, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Dawson, Domalewicz, Ethier, Gordon, Higgins, Horstmyer, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Mr. Mayo, Ms. McKnight, Messrs. Morse, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck, Timmins, Ward, Mss. Willingham, Benedict, Messrs. Carman, Clouse, Hoblock, Ms. Lockart, Messrs. Mendick, Tunny and Zeilman:

WHEREAS, The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the New York State Emergency Management Office (SEMO) recently have partnered to establish through NY-Alert a system for residents to register and receive alerts by e-mail, text message, fax or telephone when a moderate (Level 2) or high risk (Level 3) sex offender listed in the New York State Sex Offender Registry moves into or out of their neighborhood, and

WHEREAS, This alert system will provide a valuable tool in protecting our most valuable resource, the children of our communities, and

WHEREAS, In order to make county residents aware of the availability of this alert system it would be of assistance for the Albany County website to provide a link to the NY-Alert website to facilitate our county residents registering for and receiving these alerts, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature hereby requests the Albany County Division of Information Services to create on the County's website a link to the NY-Alert website (www.criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor/nyalert.htm), 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 voice vote. 4/12/10