

RESOLUTION NO. 90

REQUESTING THE NYS LEGISLATURE TO ENACT AN AMENDMENT TO THE TAX LAW TO AUTHORIZE ALBANY COUNTY TO INCREASE THE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX IN RELATION TO FUNDING DEVELOPMENT OF THE ALBANY CONVENTION CENTER

Introduced: 3/13/06

By Messrs. Commisso, Frederick, Monjeau, Mss. Willingham, Connolly and McKnight:

WHEREAS, An increase of 1% in the hotel and motel room occupancy tax in Albany County will serve to put into place a funding mechanism for the development of the Albany convention center project, and

WHEREAS, The increase of said 1% in hotel occupancy tax to 6% must be authorized by the State Legislature, and

WHEREAS, Currently, bills entitled, "AN ACT to amend chapter 693 of the laws of 1980, enabling the county of Albany to impose and collect taxes on occupancy of hotel or motel rooms in Albany county, in relation to revenues received from the collection of hotel or motel occupancy taxes" are before both houses of the New York State Legislature; in the Assembly, Bill A.9063; and in the Senate, Bill S.5990, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, pursuant to Article IX of the New York State Constitution and Section 2 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, that the County Legislature hereby requests the enactment of legislation by the Legislature of the State of New York as contained in Assembly Bill A.9063 and Senate Bill S.5990, and, be it further

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

On roll call vote the following voted in favor: Messrs. Aidala, Aylward, Mss. Barlette, Benedict, Messrs. Beston, Clay, Collins, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cunningham, Domalewicz, Ethier, Feeney, Frederick, Gordon, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Mss. Maffia-Tobler, McKnight, Messrs. Messercola, Monjeau, Morse, Nichols, Reilly, Riddick, Shafer, Steck, Tunny, Ward, Mss. Wiley and Willingham - 32.

Those opposed: Mr. Clouse, Ms. Comella, Messrs. Dawson, Mayo, Melchionni and Ms. Prentiss - 6.

Resolution was adopted. 3/13/06