RESOLUTION NO. 356

AMENDING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S PLAN FOR LONG TERM CARE IN ALBANY COUNTY TO INCLUDE SPECIFICS AND BUILDING A NEW NURSING HOME

Introduced: 10/13/09
By Special Nursing Home Facilities Committee, Messrs. Domalewicz, Commisso, Gordon, Joyce, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Messrs. McCoy, Aylward, Beston, Bullock, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Ethier, Houghtaling, Infante, Mayo, Morse, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck and Ward:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 205 for 2009, this Honorable Body requested the County Executive to take steps to develop plans regarding long term care for the elderly in Albany County including the replacement of the nursing home, and

WHEREAS, On September 9, 2009, the County Executive reported back to the Legislature by submitting his vision for long term care in a document entitled, "Choices: The Future of Long Term Care in Albany County", and

WHEREAS, This Honorable Body embraces the stay at home concepts presented by the Executive, but more details are needed, and the submitted document lacks the possibility of building a new nursing home, and

WHEREAS, We continue to be of the opinion that long term care in Albany County needs to include the replacement of the nursing home and want to have it included in the plan for future long term care preparation, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that, with the aforementioned exceptions, this Honorable Body accepts the submission of "Choices: The Future of Long Term Care in Albany County", and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is directed to amend his submission of long term care for the elderly in Albany County to furnish plan particulars and to include the building of a right sized nursing home on the Heritage Park site, said plan to be resubmitted to this Honorable Body within 60 days of the passage of this resolution, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is directed to engage expert personnel, as approved by the Legislature, to develop plan specifics and to ascertain Albany County's current and future long term care needs in order to make a determination of beds needed to constitute a right sized nursing home, 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.

On roll call vote the following voted in favor: Mr. Aylward, Ms. Benedict, Messrs. Bullock, Carman, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Clouse,

Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Domalewicz, Ethier, Gordon, Higgins, Hoblock, Horstmyer, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Mss. Lockart, Maffia-Tobler, Messrs. Mayo, McCoy, Ms. McKnight, Messrs. Mendick, Morse, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck, Tunny, Ward, Ms. Willingham and Mr. Zeilman – 36.

Those opposed: Messrs. Dawson and Timmins - 2.

Resolution was adopted. 10/13/09