

A motion was made by Mr. Morse to invoke Rule 11 and was passed by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 404

DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES TO OPEN ADMISSIONS TO THE ALBANY COUNTY NURSING HOME

Introduced: 10/13/09

By Messrs. Morse, Aylward, Beston, Bullock, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Domalewicz, Ethier, Gordon, Higgins, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Messrs. Mayo, McCoy, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck, Ward and Ms. Willingham:

WHEREAS, The certified capacity of the Albany County Nursing Home is 250 beds, although the current resident census has routinely been well below that mark, and

WHEREAS, Members of this Honorable Body have been informed that a policy has been unilaterally instituted of refusing new admissions to the Albany County Nursing Home, and

WHEREAS, This action, along with prematurely providing closure notices to residents and employees has added to the anxieties of residents, their families, employees and County residents unable to locate available skilled nursing home beds in the community, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 51 for 2007, this Honorable Body directed the Albany County Nursing Home to accept admissions up to the maximum allowed resident census, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Honorable Body hereby confirms the policy to accept admissions to the Albany County Nursing Home up to the maximum resident census, until such time as the County adopts a firm plan on the future of the Albany County Nursing Home, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature directs the nursing home Administration to widely publicize the fact that admissions are open at the Albany County 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, Mendick, Morse, Nichols, Rahm, Reilly, Scavo, Steck, Tunny, Ward, Ms. Willingham and Mr. Zeilman – 35.

Those opposed: Mr. Dawson, Ms. McKnight and Mr. Timmins – 3.

Resolution was adopted. 10/13/09