August 17, 2015

To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Amending Resolution 265 of 1965 to Extend the Expiration Date of the Additional 1% Sales Tax Rate and to Provide for its Distribution

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 265 of 1965, as amended, for the purpose of extending the expiration date of the additional 1% County sales tax rate from November 30, 2015 to November 30, 2017.

In accordance with the Home Rule Requests submitted by the Monroe County Legislature and County Executive, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has signed into law enabling legislation (Chapter 206 of the Laws of 2015) authorizing Monroe County to extend the expiration date of the additional 1% sales tax rate from November 30, 2015 to November 30, 2017.

The specific legislative action required is to amend Resolution 265 of 1965, as amended, to extend the expiration date of the additional 1% County sales tax rate from November 30, 2015 to November 30, 2017, and to provide for its distribution.

I recommend that this matter receive favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,

Maggie Brooks
County Executive
By Legislators ____________ and ____________

Intro. No. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2015

EXTENSION OF ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT TAX ON SALES AND USES OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OF CERTAIN SERVICES, AND ON OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND AMUSEMENT CHARGES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 265 OF 1965, AS LAST AMENDED BY RESOLUTION NO. 195 OF 2013

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE, as follows:

Section 1. The first sentence of Section 2 of Resolution No. 265, as enacted in nineteen hundred sixty-five, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 2. Imposition of sales tax.

On and after August 1, 1965, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid a tax of 3 percent upon, and for the period commencing December 1, 1993, and ending November 30, 2015, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid an additional tax of one percent upon:

Section 2. Subdivision (h) of Section 3 of Resolution No. 265, as enacted in nineteen hundred sixty-five, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

(h) With respect to the additional tax of one percent imposed for the period commencing December 1, 1993, and ending November 30, 2015, the provisions of subdivisions (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this section shall apply, except that for the purposes of this subdivision, all references in said subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d) to an effective date shall be read as referring to December 1, 1993, all references in said subdivision (a) to the date four months prior to the effective date shall be read as referring to August 1, 1993, and the reference in subdivision (b) to the date immediately preceding the effective date shall be read as referring to November 30, 1993. Nothing herein shall be deemed to exempt from tax at the rate in effect prior to December 1, 1993, any transaction which may not be subject to the additional one percent rate of tax imposed effective on that date.

Section 3. Section 4 of Resolution No. 265, as enacted in nineteen hundred sixty-five, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 4. Imposition of compensating use tax.

(a) Except to the extent that property or services have already been or will be subject to the sales tax under this enactment, there is hereby imposed on every person a use tax for the use within this taxing jurisdiction on and after March 1, 1993, except as otherwise exempted under this enactment,

(A) of any tangible personal property purchased at retail,
(B) of any tangible personal property (other than computer software used by the author or other creator) manufactured, processed or assembled by the user,

(i) if items of the same kind of tangible personal property are offered for sale by him in the regular course of business or

(ii) if items are used as such or incorporated into a structure, building, or real property, by a contractor, subcontractor or repairman in erecting structures or buildings, or buildings on, or otherwise adding to, altering, improving, maintaining, servicing or repairing real property, property or land, as the terms real property, property or land are defined in the real property tax law, if items of the same kind are not offered for sale as such by any contractor, subcontractor or repairman or other user in the regular course of business,

(C) of any of the services described in paragraphs (1), (7) and (8) of subdivision (c) of section two,

(D) of any tangible personal property, however, acquired, where not acquired for purposes of resale, upon which any of the services described under paragraphs (2), (3) and (7) of subdivision (c) of section two have been performed,

(E) of any telephone answering service described in subdivision (b) of section two, and

(F) of any computer software written or otherwise created by the user if the user offers software of a similar kind for sale as such or as a component part of other property in the regular course of business.

(b) For purposes of clause (A) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing March 1, 1993 and ending November 30, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for such property, or for the use of such property, including any charges for shipping or delivery as described in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section one, but excluding any credit for tangible personal property accepted in part payment and intended for resale.

(c) For purposes of subclause (i) of clause (B) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing March 1, 1993, and ending November 30, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the price at which items of the same kind of tangible personal property are offered for sale by the user, and the mere storage, keeping, retention or withdrawal from storage of tangible personal property by the person who manufactured, processed or assembled such property shall not be deemed a taxable use by him.

(d) For purposes of subclause (ii) of clause (B) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing March 1, 1993, and ending November 30, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, [2015][2017], the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the tangible personal property manufactured, processed or assembled into the tangible personal property the use of which is subject to tax, including any charges for shipping or delivery as described in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section one.
(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, for purposes of clause (b) of subdivision (a) of this section, there shall be no tax on any portion of such price which represents the value added by the user to tangible personal property which he fabricates and installs to the specifications of an addition or capital improvement to real property, property or land, as the terms real property, property or land are defined in the real property tax law, over and above the prevailing normal purchase price prior to such fabrication of such tangible personal property which a manufacturer, producer or assembler would charge an unrelated contractor who similarly fabricated and installed such tangible personal property to the specifications of an addition or capital improvement to such real property, property or land.

(f) For purposes of clauses (c), (d) and (e) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing March 1, 1993, and ending November 30, [2015]2017, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, [2015]2017, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the service, including the consideration for any tangible personal property transferred in conjunction with the performance of the service and also including any charges for shipping and delivery of the property so transferred and of the tangible personal property upon which the service was performed as such charges are described in paragraph (b) of subdivision (b) of section one.

(g) For purposes of clause (f) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing March 1, 1993, and ending November 30, [2015]2017, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, [2015]2017 the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the tangible personal property which constitutes the blank medium, such as disks or tapes used in conjunction with the software, or for the use of such property, and the mere storage, keeping, retention or withdrawal from storage of computer software described in such clause (f) by its author or other creator shall not be deemed a taxable use by such person.

Section 4. Paragraph (d) of subdivision (1) of Section 11 of Resolution No. 265, as enacted in nineteen hundred sixty-five, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

(D) With respect to the additional tax of one percent imposed for the period beginning December 1, 1993 and ending November 30, [2015]2017, in respect to the use of property used by the purchaser in this County prior to December 1, 1993.

Section 5. Subdivision (i) of Section 14 of Resolution No. 265, as enacted in nineteen hundred sixty-five, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

(i) Notwithstanding any provision of this resolution to the contrary, net collections from the additional one percent rate of sales and compensating use taxes imposed, respectively, by sections two and four of this resolution, for the period commencing December 1, [2013]2015, and ending November 30, [2015]2017, shall be distributed and allocated by the County as follows: for the period of December 1, [2013]2015 through November 30, [2015]2017 in cash, five percent to the school districts in the area of the county outside the city of Rochester, three percent to the towns located within the county, one and one-quarter percent to the villages located within the county, and ninety and three-quarter percent to the city of Rochester and county of Monroe. The amount of the
ninety and three-quarters percent to be distributed and allocated to the city of Rochester and county of Monroe shall be distributed and allocated to each so that the combined total distribution and allocation to each from the sales tax revenues pursuant to sections 1262 and 1262-g of the New York Tax Law and section two of Chapter 210 of the Laws of 2013 shall result in the same total amount being distributed and allocated to the city of Rochester and county of Monroe. The amount so distributed and allocated to the county shall be used for county purposes. The foregoing cash payments to the school districts shall be allocated on the basis of the enrolled public school pupils, thereof, as such term is used in subdivision (b) of section 1262 of the New York Tax Law, residing in the county of Monroe. The cash payments to the towns located within the county of Monroe shall be allocated on the basis of the ratio which the population of each town, exclusive of the population of any village or portion thereof located within a town, bears to the total population of the towns, exclusive of the population of the villages located within such towns. The cash payments to the villages located within the county shall be allocated on the basis of the ratio which the population of each village bears to the total population of the villages located within the county. The term population as used in this section shall have the same meaning as used in subdivision (b) of section 1262 of the New York Tax Law.

Section 6. This enactment shall take effect December 1, 2015.

Deleted language is [bracketed]
Added language is underlined

File No. 15-__________

ADOPTION: Date: ________ Vote: ________

ACTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: ________ VETOED: ________

SIGNATURE: ______________________ DATE: ____________

EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: ________________________________