

**Resolution No. 165**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING, ADOPTING AND PLACING ON FILE  
POLICIES, PLANS, PROCEDURES AND ANNUAL REPORTS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Glebus, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the respective committees indicated below, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts, adopts, and/or places on file the following:

**1. From the Human Services Committee:**

(a) The 2003 Agency Evaluation of the Essex County Public Health Nursing Service.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Moses, and adopted.

**Resolution No. 166**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 20, 2004 THROUGH  
NOVEMBER 19, 2004 AS THE PERIOD DURING WHICH LAND  
OWNERS MAY SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR INCLUSION OF  
QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL LANDS IN THE COUNTY  
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morrow, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development/Planning/Publicity Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby designates October 20, 2004 through November 19, 2004 as the period during which land owners may submit requests for inclusion of qualified agricultural lands in the County Agricultural District, and directs that an appropriate notice be published as required by law.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Merrihew, and adopted.

**Resolution No. 167**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 12-18, 2004 AS  
AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE FESTIVAL WEEK IN ESSEX COUNTY**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Connell, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development/Planning/Publicity Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby designates September 12-18, 2004 as Agricultural Heritage Festival Week in Essex County.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 168**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO**

**LEE MARION**

**FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE  
TOWNS OF SCHROON AND NORTH HUDSON**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisors Moses and Dobie, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development/Planning/Publicity Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, Lee Marion has been assisting the Towns of Schroon and North Hudson in developing and opening 237 acres and 7.2 miles of mountain biking trails from beginner to expert trails;

**WHEREAS**, Lee Marion has agreed to train people in the Town to do the GPS for some of the trails, and charges nothing for this; and

**WHEREAS**, Lee Marion has given selflessly of himself to benefit the residents and visitors to the Towns of Schroon, North Hudson and Essex County.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby extends its deep appreciation to Lee Marion for his outstanding and exemplary public service to the the Towns of Schroon and North Hudson, and to the People of Essex County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to forward a suitably embossed copy of this resolution to Lee Marion.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 169**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 7539 PROVIDING  
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF WELLS  
FOR MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY ON FOREST PRESERVE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Merrihew, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, Senators Little and Marcellino have introduced a concurrent Resolution of the Senate and the Assembly which proposes an amendment to section 2 of Article 14 of the New York State Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the intent of said resolution provides for the construction and maintenance of wells for municipal water supply on forest preserves; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Long Lake believes that Bill No. 7539 is a viable solution to the Raquette Lake water problem and has asked for our support of this bill; and

**WHEREAS**, the Essex County Board of Supervisors believe that local government normally has the best solutions for local problems and is happy to support the Town of Long Lake Town Board.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the intent of Bill No. 7539 and requests that the Senate and Assembly pass this bill in a speedy manor; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately send certified copies of this resolution to: Governor George E. Pataki; Senate Majority Leader Joseph L. Bruno; Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little; Senate Minority Leader David A. Paterson; Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver; Assembly Minority Leader Charles H. Nesbitt; Assembly Members Teresa R. Sayward and Chris Ortloff; all New York Counties; NYS Association of Counties; Inter-County Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks and the Adirondack Park Local Review Board.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 170**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT  
OF TRANSPORTATION TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF  
INSTALLING A FLASHING TRAFFIC LIGHT AND ADDITIONAL  
SIGNAGE AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 9N AND SUGAR  
HILL ROAD IN THE TOWN OF CROWN POINT**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the DPW Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, at the intersection of Route 9N and Sugar Hill Road in the Town of Crown Point there have been many fatal accidents; and

**WHEREAS**, some type of signage and a flashing light needs to be installed at this intersection to help prevent further accidents.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby urges the New York State Department of Transportation to investigate the possibility of installing a flashing traffic light and additional signage at the intersection of Route 9N and Sugar Hill Road in the Town of Crown Point; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately send certified copies of this resolution to: the New York State Department of Transportation; Governor George E. Pataki; Senate Majority Leader Joseph L. Bruno; Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little; Senate Minority Leader David A. Paterson; Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver; Assembly Minority Leader Charles H. Nesbitt; and Assembly Members Teresa R. Sayward and Chris Ortloff.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 171**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF**

**JOHN P. KOLLER**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Dobie, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the DPW Committee, with the approval of the Ways & Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller of North Hudson, New York passed away on July 11, 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller served his country with honor, valor and distinction, serving in the United States Army as a member of the 842<sup>nd</sup> Aviation Engineers in World War II in the Asiatic-Pacific theater and the Philippine Liberation, and earning a Bronze Star; and

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller ably served the People of North Hudson as the Superintendent of Highways for the Town of North Hudson for ten years and as a member of the Town Board for eight years; and

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller was well-respected by his peers as evidenced by his being a Past President of the Town Highway Superintendent's Association, Chairman of the North Hudson Republican Committee and a member of the Executive Committee of the Essex County Republican Committee for many years; and

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller was an avid hunter and fisherman, enjoying the outdoors and his beloved German Shepherd dogs; and

**WHEREAS**, John P. Koller was a loving father, grandfather, uncle and friend, who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of John P. Koller; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the family of John P. Koller.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 172**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2004 ESSEX COUNTY BUDGET**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the various committees indicated below, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby amends the 2004 Essex County Budget as follows:

**1. From the Human Services Committee:**

(a) For the Horace Nye Home, increase revenues (E8350 4E5031 - Contribution from General Fund) and appropriations (E83104 5E68 - Contracted Services) in the total amount of \$10,000.00 from funds which were encumbered from 2003 by Resolution No. 75 of April 5, 2004.

**2. From the Public Safety Committee:**

(a) For the Emergency Services Department, increase revenues (44963 - HSEEP Grants) and appropriations as follows from a Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program grant in the total amount of \$65,000:

**APPROPRIATIONS**

<b><u>Account Number</u></b>	<b><u>Account Name</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
36404 5487HOME	HSEEP Grants	\$ 57,464.00
36401 5130HOME	Part-Time Wages	7,000.00
36408 5820	Social Security	536.00

(b) For the District Attorney's Office, increase revenues and appropriations as follows in the total amount of \$21,946.00 from a Byrne Grant of \$20,000.00 and a Violence Against Women Grant of \$1,946.00:



**REVENUES**

<b><u>Account Number</u></b>	<b><u>Account Name</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
1165 433892	Byrne Grant	\$ 20,000.00
1165 43032	Violence Against Women	\$ 1,946.00

**APPROPRIATIONS**

<b><u>Account Number</u></b>	<b><u>Account Name</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>
11652 5220 GTSC	Equipment - Traffic Safety	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,500.00
11652 5220 SVAW	Equipment - VAWA Grant	\$ 4,055.00	\$ 6,001.00
11652 5220 BYRNE	Equipment - Byrne Grant	\$ 0.00	\$14,000.00
11658 5820 BYRNE	FICA Byrne Grant	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00

**3. From the Regular Board Meeting:**

(a) For the Information Systems Department, increase revenues (1680 42801 - Interfund Revenues) and appropriations (16804 5410 - Office Supplies) by \$12,000 from reimbursement by the Department of Social Services for services provide by a Network Technician.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Merrihew, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES: 2587 votes**  
**NOES: 0 votes**  
**ABSENT: 256 votes (French, Both)**

**Resolution No. 173**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE CONTINGENT  
ACCOUNT FOR TRANSFER TO THE 2004 ESSEX COUNTY BUDGET**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Kelly, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development/Planning/Publicity Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby appropriates the sum of \$1,925.00 from the contingent account (Account No. 19904-5487) for transfer to the 2004 Essex County Budget for the Planning Department as follows to perform additional responsibilities mandated by the Board of Supervisors:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
80204 5410	Office Supplies	\$ 300.00
80204 5420	Printing Expenses	100.00
80204 5423	Telephone Expenses	500.00
80204 5424	Postage	275.00
80204 5451	Training/Conventions	150.00
80204 5497	Mileage Expenses	600.00

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Moses, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES: 2587 votes**  
**NOES: 0 votes**  
**ABSENT: 256 votes (French, Both)**

<b>BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT:</b>	
Contingent Account Balance as of 8/02/04:	\$ 405,762.00
Reduction Impact of 1(a):	1,925.00

*FY2004 Contingent Account Balance:* .....

\$

403,837.00

**Resolution No. 174**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY PURCHASING  
AGENT TO GO TO BID, ACCEPT AND/OR REJECT BIDS AND  
PURCHASE VARIOUS ITEMS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the various committees indicated below, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the County Purchasing Agent to go to bid and/or purchase in accordance with the Essex County Purchasing Policy (Resolution No. 320-97) the following:

**1. From the DPW Committee:**

(a) For the Public Works Department, purchase and install a computerized inspection system to comply with the Federal Clean Air Act, at a cost not to exceed \$2,195.00, with the costs thereof to be paid from budgeted funds.

**2. From the Personnel & Administration Committee:**

(a) For the Information System Department, purchase a Lotus Notes Upgrade at a cost of \$14,218.00 from budgeted funds.

**3. From the Regular Board Meeting:**

(a) For the Horace Nye Home, award a professional services contract to Rotenberg Health Care to perform an operational analysis, Medicaid rebasing analysis, Medicated rate review/appeal analysis, and PRI review and audit, at a cost not to exceed \$28,000.00.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Dobie, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES: 2587 votes**  
**NOES: 0 votes**  
**ABSENT: 256 votes (French, Both)**

**Resolution No. 175**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VISITOR'S BUREAU TO  
MAKE TRANSFERS WITHIN THEIR BUDGET**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Dobie, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development/Planning/Publicity Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Essex County Visitor's Bureau to make the following transfers with their 2004 budget:

<b><u>From Account</u></b>	<b><u>To Account</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
532 - Internet Maint & Dev	450 - Professional Services	\$ 5,000.00
532 - Internet Maint & Dev	573 - Fullfillment	5,000.00
600 - Promotional Items	490 - Dues and Subscriptions	2,600.00
526 - Research/Tracking	495 - Travel	2,600.00
526 - Research/Tracking	450 - Professional Services	2,500.00

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Dedrick, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES: 2587 votes**  
**NOES: 0 votes**  
**ABSENT: 256 votes (French, Both)**

**Resolution No. 176**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2004-2005 NORTH  
COUNTRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATING BUDGET  
AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF \$984,218  
THEREFOR IN THE 2005 ESSEX COUNTY BUDGET**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, North Country Community College filed its tentative operating budget for the 2004-2005 year with the Clerk of this Board containing a total expenditure of \$8,788,785.00, with Essex County's sponsor share being \$984,218.00; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board of Supervisors, pursuant to due notice, conducted public hearings on the tentative operating budget.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, after due consideration and contingent upon similar approval by Franklin County, hereby approves the 2004-2005 North Country Community College Operating budget in the total amount of \$8,788,785.00, and authorizes the appropriation of \$984,218.00 in the 2005 Essex County budget as Essex County's share of the sponsor-paid portion of such budget to be allocated therein.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisors Seney and Dedrick, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES:** 2236 votes  
**NOES:** 351 votes (Scozzafava)  
**ABSENT:** 256 votes (French, Both)

**Resolution No. 177**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS AND  
CHANGES TO POSITIONS IN COUNTY SERVICE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Douglas, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and approves the following appointments and changes in county service, all to be performed in compliance with, as and if applicable, the Essex County Civil Service Rules and Regulations, and/or the current CSEA contract and/or the Essex County Personnel Policy Manual:

(a) For the District Attorney's Office, create and fill a part-time position of Special Assistant District Attorney at a gross salary of \$1,615.38 bi-weekly, effective July 19, 2004 for a period of four months.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Morrow, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES: 2587 votes**  
**NOES: 0 votes**  
**ABSENT: 256 votes (French, Both)**

**Resolution No. 178**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, a Project for the Reconstruction of CR12, Stowersville Road Bridge over Unknown Creek (Spruce Mill Brook), Essex County, P.I.N. 1755.01 (the Project) is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Essex desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the costs of Construction.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, duly convened does hereby

**RESOLVE**, that the Board hereby approves the above-subject Project; and it is hereby further

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby authorizes the County of Essex to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Construction work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$108,000.00 (One hundred eight thousand dollars) has already been appropriated and made available to cover the cost of participation in the Preliminary Engineering phase of the Project; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$480,000.00 (Four hundred eighty thousand dollars) is hereby appropriated from the County Road fund and made available to cover the cost of participation in the Construction phase of the Project; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Board of Supervisors of Essex County shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon



the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman of this Board or DPW Superintendent of the County of Essex be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Essex with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefor that are not so eligible; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisors Jackson and Glebus, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

**AYES:**            **2587 votes**  
**NOES:**            **0 votes**  
**ABSENT:**        **256 votes (French, Both)**

**Resolution No. 179**

**August 2, 2004  
Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING RSVP OF ESSEX COUNTY ON  
CELEBRATING ITS 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGING  
THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF RSVP VOLUNTEERS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Jackson, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby congratulates RSVP of Essex County on celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary on July 1, 2004; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Board does hereby acknowledge, and extend its deep appreciation to, all of the retired and senior volunteers over the years who have freely given of their time and resources to provide meaningful and needed services to the People of Essex County.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 180**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING INTENT TO ENACT THE TEMPORARY  
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR EXEMPTION FOR THE NEXT  
AVAILABLE PERIOD AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Dedrick, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance/Tax Reduction/Mandate Relief Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Essex County Board of Supervisors that it hereby expresses its intent to enact the temporary clothing and footwear exemption for the next available period when, as and if authorized by the State of New York.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Scozzafava, and adopted with Supervisors Morrow and Canon being opposed.

**WITHDRAWN**  
**Resolution No. 181**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LITIGATION, IF NECESSARY,  
AGAINST DELOITTE & TOUCHE, LLP REGARDING AUDIT SERVICES**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes litigation, if necessary, against Deloitte & Touche, LLP regarding audit services.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>votes</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>votes</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>votes</b>

**Resolution No. 182**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF**

**ALBERT E. BATCHELDER**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder of Crown Point, New York passed away on July 31, 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder served his country with honor, valor and distinction in World War II as a member of the United States Army Air Force in the China-Burma-India theater; and

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder was a valued and committed member of the Crown Point community, contributing his time and energy to many projects and being an active member of the Methodist Church where he served on the council board for many years; and

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder was a member and past president of the Lions Club, and served as assistant scout master, while living in Clinton from 1957 to 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder is the father of Jeris French, wife of Crown Point Supervisor Dale R. French; and

**WHEREAS**, Albert E. Batchelder was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend, who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of Albert E. Batchelder; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the family of Albert E. Batchelder.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**Resolution No. 183**

**August 2, 2004**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

**RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT, THE UNITED STATES SENATE  
AND THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO  
SUPPORT AN EXTENSION OF THE FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
PERCENTAGE (FMAP) INCREASE SO AS TO CONTINUE PROVIDING  
NEW YORK COUNTIES WITH MEDICAID RELIEF**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Merrihew, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Government previously authorized and implemented a temporary increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) to provide New York counties with medicaid relief; and

**WHEREAS**, this temporary increase is about to expire.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the President, United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives support an extension of the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase so as to continue providing New York counties with medicaid relief.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately send certified copies of this resolution to: President George W. Bush; United States Senators Charles E. Schumer and Hillary Rodham Clinton; United States Representatives John E. Sweeney and John M. McHugh; Senate Majority Leader William Frist, M.D.; Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle; Speaker of the House Dennis J. Hastert; and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.