

RESOLUTION NO. 145

COMMITTING TO ASSIST THE RECOVERY OF THE ECONOMY BY BUYING AMERICAN WHEREVER AND WHENEVER POSSIBLE

Introduced: 4/13/09

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

WHEREAS, The economic downturn is having a critical impact on everyday Americans who are struggling to maintain or find jobs in an increasingly difficult environment, and

WHEREAS, Congress and President Obama continue to work on an economic recovery plan that will provide billions of dollars to help economically devastated cities and states to provide jobs to millions of out-of-work Americans through considerable infrastructure rebuilding, green energy projects and other projects that will require manufactured components, and

WHEREAS, Our taxpayer dollars should be spent to maximize the creation of American jobs and restoring the economic vitality of our communities, and

WHEREAS, Any domestically produced products that are purchased with economic recovery plan monies will immediately help struggling American families and will help stabilize our greater economy, and

WHEREAS, Any economic recovery plan spending should, to every extent possibly, include a commitment from the County of Albany to buy materials, goods and services for projects from companies that are produced within the United States, thus employing the very workers that pay the taxes for the economic recovery plan spending in the first place, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature will work to maximize the creation of American jobs and restoring economic growth and opportunity by spending economic recovery plan funds on products and services that both create jobs and help keep Americans employed, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That we commit to purchasing only products and services that are made or performed in the United States of America whenever and wherever possible with any economic recovery monies provided to the County of Albany by the American taxpayers, and, be it further

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

Adopted by unanimous vote. 4/13/09