Sponsored by: County Administration, Economic & Rural Development and Planning and

**Finance Committees** 

Seconded by:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 5 OF 2011, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 185 OF THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND CODE IMPOSING A TAX ON THE OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL OR MOTEL ROOMS"

WHEREAS, this County Legislature, by Resolution 467 of 2007, adopted Local Law Intro No. 9 of 2007, entitled: "A Local Law Amending Chapter 185 of the Broome County Charter and Code Imposing a Tax on the Occupancy of Hotel or Motel Rooms", and

WHEREAS, said local law imposed a tax of 5% upon the rent for every occupancy of a room or rooms in a hotel or motel in the county, except upon a permanent resident or exempt organization, and

WHEREAS, the intent of the tax is to promote Broome County and its cities, towns and villages in order to increase convention, trade shows, tourist business and economic development in the County, and

WHEREAS, three fifths of revenues resulting from the imposition of the tax under this article is to be paid into the treasury of the county and is credited to and deposited in the general fund of the county and is thereafter to be allocated at the discretion of the Broome County Legislature for any county purpose in order to increase conventions, trade shows and tourist business. Two fifths of revenues resulting from the imposition of said tax is to be deposited in a special account known as the "county economic development initiative fund" and is to be marked separate and apart from any other funds and accounts of the county. The Broome County legislature shall designate the specific purpose for which these funds may be used, and

WHEREAS, imposition of said tax commenced October 1, 2007 and expired on December 31, 2010, and

WHEREAS, this County Legislature desires to extend the hotel motel occupancy tax for another two year period, expiring December 31, 2012, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Local Law Intro. No. 5 of 2011 entitled: "A Local Law Amending Chapter 185 of the Broome County Charter and Code Imposing a Tax on the Occupancy of Hotel or Motel Rooms," be and the same hereby is adopted and approved in accordance with the Broome County Charter and Code and all the applicable statutes and laws pertaining thereto.

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BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Broome as follows:

Section 1. Section 185-30 When effective, expiration

The tax herein imposed shall be effective for the period of **[three]** two years and shall expire on December 31, **[2010]** 2012, unless further extended by subsequent action of the Broome County Legislature.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be effective January 1, 2011.

Material bold **[brackets]** deleted Material bold **underlined** added