Resolution No. 52 February 15, 2011

Requesting The New York State Legislature And Governor To Introduce Home Rule Legislation Which Would Require Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Board Appointments To Be Appointed By The County Executive

Legislators Zimet and Bernardo offer the following:

WHEREAS, New York State Public Authorities Law (PBA) Article 8, Title 13-G (2050-A – 2050-Z) Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency (hereinafter referred to as the UCRRA) calls for the UCRRA Board to consist of five members to be appointed by the Chairman of the Legislature including one member recommended to the Chairman by the Minority Leader of the County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, this New York State Public Authorities Law was created prior to the enactment of the Ulster County Charter, and

WHEREAS, the organization of Ulster County Government has moved from a Legislative form of government to a charter form of government with our Executive appointing positions and the Legislature confirming positions, and

WHEREAS, the UCRRA is a multi-million dollar public agency that has collected over \$32 million in net service fees from the taxpayers of Ulster County since its creation, and

WHEREAS, this legislation will provide checks and balances for the taxpayers of Ulster County, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the New York State Legislature and Governor are requested to introduce home rule legislation which would require UCRRA Board Members to be appointed by the County Executive rather than be appointed by the Chairman of the County Legislature. All members appointed by the County Executive shall continue to be subject to confirmation by the County Legislature, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the existing UCRRA Board positions shall be terminated December 31, 2011 and new positions appointed by the County Executive to take effect January 1, 2012 with the following staggered terms:

One 1-year term to expire December 31, 2013;

One 2-year term to expire December 31, 2014;

One 3-year term to expire December 31, 2015;

One 4-year term to expire December 31, 2016; and

One 5-year term to expire December 31, 2017

Subsequent appointments shall be made for 5—year terms,

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and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES:

Legislator Bernardo motioned, seconded by Legislator Belfiglio to refer the resolution to the newly created committee as defined in Resolution No. 21 – February 15, 2011.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 29 NOES: 1

(NOES: Legislator Zimet)

(Absent: Legislators Fabiano, Felicello and Harris)

FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE