

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Henry Wojtaszek has served as a member of the Western New York Power Proceeds Allocation Board since its inception, helping to enhance the business landscape by directing funds to economic development, workforce and tourism initiatives in Western New York; and

Whereas, as a respected community leader who spent much of his life in public service, Mr. Wojtaszek is now recognized for his role in making decisions regarding the Western New York Economic Development Fund, supported by the sale of unused Expansion and Replacement electricity from the New York Power Authority's (NYPA) Niagara hydroelectric power plant; and

Whereas, Mr. Wojtaszek has a clear understanding of the importance of promoting entrepreneurship and advancing manufacturing, agriculture, workforce development and tourism in order to create sustainable economic and inclusive job growth for Western New York; and

Whereas, Mr. Wojtaszek has shown responsibility and judgment in considering issues and voting to recommend awards to the NYPA Board of Trustees that are consistent with the strategies and priorities set by the Western New York Regional Economic Development Council; and

Whereas, Mr. Wojtaszek's experience as private counsel, North Tonawanda city attorney, Niagara County GOP chairman and general counsel (now president and CEO) of the Western Regional Off-Track Betting Corp. has shown him to be a passionate and forward-thinking professional who has made significant contributions throughout Niagara County; and

Whereas, stepping down after three years of service, Mr. Wojtaszek has played a role in the approval of 38 projects, distribution of \$32.6 million in awards, and creation and retention of more than 1,700 jobs since inception of the Western New York Power Proceeds Allocation Board; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Western New York Power Proceeds Allocation Board conveys its deepest thanks and appreciation to Henry Wojtaszek for his service and that he, his wife, Caroline, and three children, are wished the best as they look forward to new endeavors.



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