

**RESOLUTION – REQUESTING STATE LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES TO SPONSOR/CO-SPONSOR ASSEMBLY BILL 2446 AMENDING SECTION 87 OF THE TRANSPORTATION CORPORATIONS LAW IN RELATION TO CONSTRUCTION OF PIPELINES**

WHEREAS, the proposed construction of major new oil pipelines will impact the lands and communities of the Town of New Paltz and 31 other towns, cities, and villages in the Hudson Valley, Catskill Region and Capital District, raising issues of safety, public health, and economic injury of concern to local government; and

WHEREAS, Section 87 of the Transportation Corporations Law gives Villages and Cities important powers over the oil pipeline siting process, allowing them to disapprove the construction of such pipelines through their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, under said section of law, Towns do not have comparable authority; and

WHEREAS, extending such authority to Towns is appropriate and consistent with Municipal Home Rule; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Member Frank Skartados has introduced Assembly Bill 2446 to amend Section 87 of the Transportation Corporations Law to extend this power to Towns, giving Towns parity with Villages and Cities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz hereby requests that State Senator John J. Bonacic sponsor the same bill in the New York State Senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz requests that Assembly Member Kevin A. Cahill to co-sponsor Assembly Bill 2446; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz urges its State Legislative Representatives to support passage of this important legislation in the 2017 Legislative Session; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Town Clerk is hereby directed to provide a copy of this resolution to Senator John J. Bonacic, Assembly Member Kevin A. Cahill, Senate Temporary President and Majority Leader John J. Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie and Governor Andrew M. Cuomo.

Motion made at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, February 16, 2017 by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.

VOTING MEMBERS:

Council Member Irwin	_____
Council Member Logan	_____
Council Member Torres	_____
Council Member Seyfert-Lillis	_____
Supervisor Bettez	_____

Town Seal

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Rosanna Mazzaccari – Town Clerk