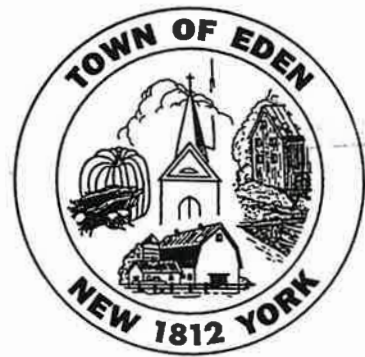


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Resolution 63-2025

STATE OF NEW YORK :
COUNTY OF ERIE : ss:
TOWN OF EDEN :

I, Emily Hawkins, Town Clerk of the Town of Eden, Erie County, New York do hereby certify that a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the aforesaid town, held on the 5th day of March, 2025 at the Eden Town Hall, 2795 East Church Street, Eden, New York, the following resolution was adopted,

Whereas, the Buy American Salt Act (S9441) went into effect in the fall of 2024, requiring New York State governments to procure salt exclusively from American-sourced salt mines, and

Whereas, due to this legislation, Erie County was forced to reject the low salt bid submitted by Compass Minerals, as their material was sourced in Ontario, Canada, with the winning bid awarded to American Rock Salt in Livingston County, which subsequently secured both Erie County and New York State salt supply contracts, and

Whereas, at the time of the award, the Town Highway Superintendents Association of Erie County raised concerns about the potential negative effects of relying on a single supplier for salt, anticipating the lack of competition could lead to price increases and the risk of supply shortages, and

Whereas, the expressed concerns have come to fruition within less than one year, as there is currently a significant salt supply shortage, and

Whereas, this shortage poses serious challenges to our ability to maintain proper service levels and ensure the safety of residents across Erie County, and all respective towns,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Town of Eden strongly urges the State Legislature to amend the Buy American Salt Act to a Buy North American Salt Act. This amendment would allow us to source materials from a broader range of vendors, including Canadian suppliers, ensuring a stable and adequate supply of salt to keep our roads safe during winter months.

Be It Further Resolved, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Honorable Governor Kathy Hochul, Honorable Speaker of the Assembly Carl E. Heastie, Honorable Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Honorable Republican Senate Minority Leader Robert G. Ort, Honorable Majority Leader of the Assembly Crystal D. Peoples-Stokes, Honorable Minority Leader of the Assembly William A. Barclay, and the Western New York Delegation and Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz and the Erie County Legislature.

#63-2025: MOTION was made by Councilperson Wilhelm to pass the resolution urging the State Legislature to amend the Buy American Salt Act to a Buy North American Salt Act. Seconded by Councilperson Vacco: Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstained: None. Motion carried.

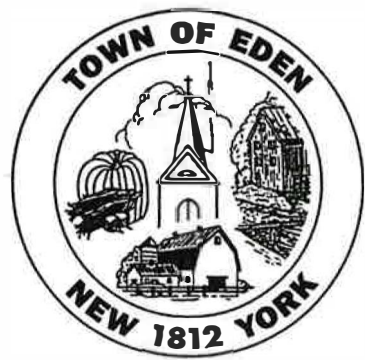
I do further certify that the members of the Eden Town Board were as follows: Supervisor: Richard Ventry; Councilperson: Vincent Vacco; Councilperson; Susan Wilhelm; Councilperson; Michael Byrnes and Councilperson; Gary Sam.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Town of Eden, Erie County, New York, 10th day of March 2025.

Seal


Town Clerk, Town of Eden, New York

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Resolution 62-2025

STATE OF NEW YORK :
COUNTY OF ERIE : ss:
TOWN OF EDEN :

I, Emily Hawkins, Town Clerk of the Town of Eden, Erie County, New York do hereby certify that a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the aforesaid town, held on the 5th day of March, 2025 at the Eden Town Hall, 2795 East Church Street, Eden, New York, the following resolution was adopted,

REVISED HALT ACT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Eden is requesting a home rule resolution, calling on the NYS Legislature to REPEAL the New York State HALT Act.

WHEREAS, while the New York State HALT Act may have been written with good intentions, its application has created a hazardous and unlawful environment which jeopardizes both staff and incarcerated individuals alike; and

WHEREAS, Correction Officers work in facilities to maintain good working order to keep incarcerated individuals, staff and the community safe by communicating well, remaining disciplined all while handling extremely dangerous situations inside the facility; and

WHEREAS, working in correctional facilities takes a physical and mental toll on Corrections Officers and their Families, especially while being mandated to work shifts 24 hours or more at one time; and

WHEREAS, with the implementation of the New York State HALT Act, Corrections Officers are not permitted to utilize SHU for long term disciplinary, and have no recourse for violence toward other incarcerated individuals or staff, causing the rate of violent assaults to nearly double.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; the Town of Eden is demanding the full repeal of the New York State HALT Act until it can be researched and revised with Input from Correctional staff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Honorable Governor Kathy Hochul, Honorable Speaker of the Assembly Carl E. Heastie, Honorable Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Honorable Republican Senate Minority Leader Robert G. Ort, Honorable Majority Leader of the Assembly Crystal D. Peoples-Stokes, Honorable Minority Leader of the Assembly William A. Barclay, and the Western New York Delegation and Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz and the Erie County Legislature.

#62-2025: MOTION was made by Councilperson Vacco to request a home rule resolution, calling on the NYS Legislature to REPEAL the New York State HALT Act. Seconded by Councilperson Byrnes: Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstained: None. Motion carried.

I do further certify that the members of the Eden Town Board were as follows: Supervisor: Richard Ventry; Councilperson: Vincent Vacco; Councilperson; Susan Wilhelm; and Councilperson; Michael Byrnes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Town of Eden, Erie County, New York, 10th day of March, 2025.

Seal

Town Clerk, Town of Eden, New York