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10TH DISTRICT LEGISLATOR

May 27, 2025

Legislator John Bargnesi
Chair, Energy & Environment Committee
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Re: Request for Committee Discussion – Local Law Intro. 1-1 (Prohibiting the Sale and Use of Sky Lanterns in Erie County)

Dear Chairman Bargnesi,

I respectfully request that Local Law Intro. 1-1 be placed on the agenda for discussion at an upcoming meeting of the Energy and Environment Committee. This proposed legislation would prohibit the sale and use of sky lanterns in Erie County.

To support a well-informed and balanced discussion, I recommend inviting the following individuals to speak on the potential environmental and agricultural impacts of sky lanterns:

- Dan Castle, Commissioner, Erie County Department of Environment and Planning
- Mark Gaston, Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Daniel Brenner, President, Erie County Farm Bureau

Their expertise will help the committee better understand the risks sky lanterns pose to our natural resources, farmland, and public safety.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to a thoughtful discussion in committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lindsay Lorigo". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Lindsay Lorigo
Erie County Legislator – District 10

cc: Legislator John Mills
Legislator Frank Todaro