RESOLUTION NO. 272

URGING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR TO ENACT LEGISLATION PROVIDING GREATER TRANSPARENCY IN THE PRICE PAID FOR GASOLINE AT THE PUMP

Introduced: 7/14/08
By Mr. Morse:

WHEREAS, With gasoline costs exceeding $4 a gallon locally, New York State should take those steps within its power to provide greater transparency for charges consumers pay at the pump by requiring gas stations to post pricing information, and

WHEREAS, The information should spell out the cost per gallon for federal excise taxes, state taxes and the county, city, town and village share of the local sales taxes, credit card charges for each gallon purchased and the wholesale price per gallon that the gas station operator paid for the delivered fuel, and

WHEREAS, While legislators and government agencies at the federal level are investigating fraud and manipulation in the energy markets and the extent that speculation is driving up the price of oil, it is incumbent upon New York lawmakers to enact requirements within the State’s jurisdiction to provide motorists with answers explaining where their gas dollars go, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature urges the New York State Legislature and the Governor to enact legislation providing greater transparency in the price paid for gasoline at the pump, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to Governor David Paterson, Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver and Albany County’s State representatives Senator Neil Breslin, Assemblymen Ronald Canestrari, Timothy Gordon, John McEneny and Robert Reilly.

Resolution was withdrawn by sponsor. 7/14/08