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Dear Neighbor,

In an effort to ensure the Hudson Valley is fairly represented in all legislative matters before the Senate, I and eight other local Senators representing Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Counties have formed the Hudson Valley Delegation – a bipartisan coalition to more effectively advocate for the needs and concerns of the residents, communities, organizations, and elected officials of the Hudson Valley.

The Governor recently presented the State Legislature with his proposed Executive Budget for the coming year (SFY 2010-11). The Hudson Valley Delegation is holding two hearings to examine the impact of this proposed budget on our District and on the Hudson Valley region as a whole. Given the tough fiscal and economic times our State continues to face, your input on the key matters impacting our region is more vital than ever. I would like to invite you to attend these hearings to voice your priorities, comments, and concerns on the issues of greatest importance to you in this year's budget process.

Our first hearing will be held in Pomona on Friday, March 5th. It will address concerns related to Health and Mental Health; Transportation; Economic Development; and Environmental Conservation. The second hearing will be held in Bronxville on Friday, March 12th, and will address Education; Labor and Family Assistance; Public Protection; and General Government. Full details for each hearing, including RSVP, contact, and location information, can be found in the enclosed Public Hearing Notice and Reply Form.

I strongly encourage you to attend these hearings to make your voice heard and ensure we protect and preserve what is most important to the Hudson Valley. In the event that you are unable to attend, I encourage you to send a representative or to submit written testimony to be entered into our records.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Klein Deputy Majority Leader New York State Senate 34th District

Enclosure: Public Hearing Notice and Reply Form

NEW YORK STATE SENATE

Notice of Public Hearing



Hudson Valley Delegation

Jeffrey D. Klein and Thomas P. Morahan Co- Chairs

> Sen. John J. Bonacic Sen. Ruth Hassell-Thompson Sen. William J. Larkin Jr. Sen. Vincent L. Leibell Sen. Suzi Oppenheimer Sen. Stephen M. Saland Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins

SUBJECT: To allow local organizations, elected officials, residents, and communities of the Hudson Valley to provide input on priorities for and impacts of the Executive Budget for SFY 2010-2011.

March 5, 2010 Pomona hearing 1:00-4:00PM

Health and Mental Health Transportation, Economic Development, Environmental Conservation

Rockland County Fire Training
Center Auditorium
35 Firemen's Memorial Drive, Pomona, NY 10970

Contact: Dan Moscato at (845) 425-1818 or moscato@senate.state.ny.us

March 12, 2010 Bronxville hearing 4:00-7:00PM

Education, Labor and Family Assistance Public Protection and General Government

Concordia College Sommer Center for Worship & the Performing Arts 171 White Plains Road, Bronxville, NY 10708

Contact: Shelley Andrews at (518) 455-3595 or sandrews@senate.state.ny.us

The Hudson Valley Delegation of the New York State Senate

In an effort to ensure the Hudson Valley is fairly represented in all legislative matters before the Senate, nine local Senators representing the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester have formed a bipartisan delegation to more effectively advocate for the needs and concerns of their constituents. Earlier this year, the Delegation addressed Hudson Valley's public transportation grievances with new MTA Chairman Jay Walder. The Senators of the Hudson Valley Delegation will next hold two public hearings to assess the priorities and impacts of the SFY 2010-2011 budget, to give a voice to the needs and concerns of the residents, communities, organizations, and elected officials of the Hudson Valley.

Hudson Valley Delegation Budget Hearings

Persons who wish to testify should so indicate on the reply form attached. The Delegation will accommodate as many witnesses as possible. Persons wishing to attend or testify at this hearing should complete and return the reply form as soon as possible, but **no later than Friday, February 26th for the March 5th hearing, and Friday, March 5th for the March 12th hearing.** The form must be fully completed and returned so persons may be notified in the event of postponement or cancellation of the hearing.

The Delegation also encourages the submission of written testimony; it will be considered by the delegation and will be made part of its record. Written testimony may be e-mailed as an attachment in any common format to the Hudson Valley Delegation at:

March 5th Hearing: Dan Moscato at moscato@senate.state.ny.us

March 12th Hearing: Shelley Andrews at sandrews@senate.state.ny.us

Witnesses are asked to keep oral testimony to no more than three minutes in length. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Delegation will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. This request should be made on the attached reply form or to the delegation staff as soon as possible. If you are testifying, please submit ten copies of any prepared statement at the hearing registration table.

Accommodations will be provided for individuals with disabilities, upon reasonable request, to afford such individuals access and admission to Senate facilities and activities.

Hudson Valley Delegation Public Hearing Reply Form

March 5, 2010 Pomona hearing 1:00-4:00PM

Health and Mental Health Transportation, Economic Development, **Environmental Conservation**

Please respond by Friday, February 26th:

E-mail to: moscato@senate.state.ny.us Or fax to: (845) 425-6473

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Or fax to: (518) 426-6887
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