

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Robert G. Ortt

STATEMENT: Ortt, Morinello Renew Call for Governor to Meet with Senecas

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State Senator Rob Ortt (R,C,I – North Tonawanda) and Assemblyman Angelo J. Morinello (R,C,I, Ref – Niagara Falls) today issued the statement below following the Governor's canceled meeting with the Seneca Nation of Indians last Thursday. Click <u>here</u> to read the letter from Seneca President Todd Gates.

"While we understand the urgency of the state's transit emergency in New York City, there's another major state-generated crisis here in Western New York. We respectfully urge the Governor to prioritize compact negotiations with the Seneca Nation of Indians. Without critical revenue sharing proceeds, community non-profits and local governments will continue to see dramatic cuts to education, health care, and public protection."