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Resolution No. 120-09

Seconded by Legislator Hitchcock

Ayes                Noes                Absent                CARRIED.

Approved by Gov. Ops. Comm.: 4/13/09

APPROVED AS TO FORM



COUNTY ATTORNEY

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
                                  ) ss.:  
COUNTY OF GREENE )

I, the undersigned,

DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the above copy of a resolution adopted April 15, 2009 with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Greene County Legislature this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2009.

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Tammy L. Sciavillo  
Acting Clerk, Greene County Legislature

April 15, 2009

RESOLUTION NO. 120-09

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF KEEPING THE  
LEVER VOTING MACHINES

Legislator Frey offered the following resolution  
and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Greene County has successfully used highly accurate lever voting machines for many decades with very few problems and wants to continue using them; and

WHEREAS, Greene County believes that continued use of lever voting machines is in the best interest of the public, that unlike optical scan computers, our time-proved lever machines can be relied upon to accurately count votes as cast and cost far less; and

WHEREAS, New York State's enactment of the Election Reform and Modernization Act of 2005 (ERMA) predates installation of the ballot marking devices for disabled-person voting and New York now complies with HAVA; and

WHEREAS, the State's statutorily required elimination of lever machines through ERMA is no longer necessary, is inappropriate, and exorbitantly costly to Greene County tax payers; and

WHEREAS, Greene County does hereby support keeping the lever voting machines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greene County Legislature hereby requests the New York State Legislature and the New York State Board of Elections to enact laws, rules and regulations that specifically authorize continued use of our lever voting machines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor David Paterson; New York State Senators James Seward, Malcolm Smith, and Dean Skelos; New York State Assemblyman Peter Lopez and Timothy Gordon; Co-Executive Directors of the New York State Board of Elections Todd Valentine and Stanley Zalen; New York State Board of Elections Commissioners James Walsh, Douglas Kellner, Evelyn Aquila, and Gregory Peterson; and Greene County Elections Commissioners Frank DeBenedictus and Thomas Burke.