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HARRIET D. CORNELL Chairwoman LAURENCE O. TOOLE Clerk to the Legislature

April 3, 2006

William M. Beecher Director of Public Affairs U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington. D.C 20555-001

RE: Resolution No. 130 of 2006 - Requesting The President of The United States, The United States House of Representatives, The United States Senate, And The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission To Immediately Close Down Indian Point Nuclear Reactors

Dear Mr. Beecher:

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Please find enclosed a certified copy of the above referenced Resolution, with correspondence from the County Executive, which was approved at the March 7, 2006 meeting of the Rockland County Legislature.

Very truly yours,

Laurence O Toole
Clerk to the Legislature

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STATE OF NEW YORK )	
COUNTY OF ROCKLAND )	
DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the att duly adopted on the 7 <sup>th</sup> day of Marc Legislature while such Legislature w of members present and voting.	to the Legislature of the County of Rockland tached is an original resolution of such Legislature, h 2006 by a majority of the members elected to the as in regular session with a duly constituted quorum at at the time said resolution was adopted said
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sear of said Legislature this <u>a</u> day of	. <u>March 2000</u> .
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March 8, 2006	76.9
	Laufence O. Voole, Clerk
	Rockland County Legislature
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Certified or Approved
C. Scott Vanderhoef, County Executive
County of Rockland

(Date)

**RESOLUTION NO. 130 OF 2006** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Referral No. 6675 March 7, 2006

#### Introduced by:

Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 130 OF 2006**

REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE UNITED STATES SENATE, AND THE UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION TO IMMEDIATELY CLOSE DOWN INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR REACTORS

#### SCHOENBERGER/THE ENTIRE LEGISLATURE: UNAN.

WHEREAS, it has been recently disclosed through the media that radio active tritium and strontium-90 has seeped into the Hudson River, as well as the ground water surrounding Indian Point Nuclear Facility, located in Buchanan, New York; and

WHEREAS, there was a delayed notification by Entergy for several months to the public and to elected officials in the 10 mile radius of the nuclear power plants of the radioactive isotopes seepage from the 400,000 gallon spent fuel holding tanks; and

WHEREAS, "Riverkeeper", under the New York State Freedom of Information of Law, was able in early December 2005, to confirm that the nuclear power plant was aware of the leakage of radio active material from its spent fuel pool for nearly three months before the Department of Health or Entergy notified elected officials or the public; and

WHEREAS, part of the Hudson River that is affected by this discharge is contiguous to the County of Rockland waterfront communities, which river serves as a local recreational area for boating, fishing and other water activities; and WHEREAS, this Legislature is not confident in the news release that this radiation is minor and an insignificant danger to the public health of the communities and the population living within the affected areas, given the prior representations of Entergy in 2005 that the pool seepage would not result in isotopes reaching the water supply or the river, which has now been confirmed to have occurred; and

WHEREAS, the location of Indian Point Power Plants is in a high density area of population and now is inappropriate to continue to place this operation in this specific location; and

WHEREAS, that the Homeland Security Department of the Federal Government and the federal legislative bodies have adopted regulations and laws which have defined that Westchester County and the surrounding communities around New York City are high risk terrorist target communities, which has resulted in substantial federal grant monies being appropriated to these committees to prepare for and defend against terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, given the long history of accidental discharge of radioactive steam, emergency shutdowns of the nuclear reactor due to mal-functions, the open pool storage of spent radioactive fuel bars, the vulnerability of this facility to terrorist attack, the location of the facility on a geological earthquake fault and now the documented contamination of the local drinking water and the recreational water of the affected communities, this Legislature pleads for immediate action before there is an irreversible nuclear accident in this community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County calls upon Hon. George W. Bush, President of the United States; Hon. Charles Schumer and Hon. Hillary Rodham Clinton, United States Senators; Hon. Eliot Engel, Hon. Nita Lowey and Hon. Sue Kelly, Members of the United States Congress; the President Pro Tem of the United States Senate; the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate and House of Representatives; the Hon. George Pataki, Governor of the State of New York; Hon. Thomas P. Morahan, New York State Senator, Hon. Alexander J. Gromack, Hon. Ryan S. Karben, Hon. Anne Rabbitt, and Hon. Nancy Calhoun, Members of the New York State Assembly; the President Pro Tem of the New York State Senate; the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the New York State Public Service Commission; and all of the elected representatives of the affected communities to bring to fruition the discontinuation of this most dangerous commercial operation of a deteriorating nuclear facility in the immediate proximity of the County of Rockland, as well as the other affected communities within the 10 mile radius.

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### C. SCOTT VANDERHOEF County Executive

To:

Laurence O. Toole

Clerk to the Legislature

From:

C. Scott Vanderhoef

County Executive

Date:

March 20, 2006

RE:

RESOLUTIONS NO. 104, 118, 123, 124, 125, 126, 128 and 130 OF 2006

FROM THE March 7, 2006 LEGISLATIVE MEETING.

I am returning herewith the above-cited resolutions, neither approved nor disapproved in accordance with my previously stated policy regarding Memorializing Resolutions.

I respect my Legislative colleagues' desire to express their collective opinions to other governmental bodies via Memorializing Resolutions, without interjecting the approval or disapproval of each resolution by the County Executive. Therefore, I neither adopt nor repudiate the sentiments expressed therein but allow them to stand solely as the Legislature's official position.

Thank you.

C. Scott Vanderhoef

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Attachment(s)