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***Supervisor St. Lawrence Applauds Governor Cuomo and
N.Y.S. Legislature for Passing Hurricane Irene Law***

Suffern, N.Y. – Town of Ramapo Supervisor Christopher P. St. Lawrence praised Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the N.Y.S. Legislature for recently passing Legislation to provide relief to homeowners of properties that were “catastrophically impacted” by Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. Property that lost 50% or more of its value as a result of flooding is considered to be “catastrophically impacted”. This Act effectively allows damaged property to be reassessed on 2011 Assessment Roll based on its post-storm value, even though the damage occurred after the 2011 taxable status date. This program must be adopted by local governments and school districts to make it available to taxpayers.

“This Legislation signed by Governor Cuomo is both timely and humanitarian in nature... The Town of Ramapo will adopt it at our next Town Board Meeting, and I plan to lobby other local governments and school districts in Rockland County urging them to follow suit... Our beleaguered homeowners victimized by Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee must receive assistance immediately!” stated Supervisor St. Lawrence.

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