

RESOLUTION – SUPPORT FOR THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE TO PASS A STRONG PACKAGING REDUCTION AND RECYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE ACT (SENATE BILL 1464/ASSEMBLY BILL 1749)

WHEREAS, packaging makes up approximately 40% of the waste in New York State, and

WHEREAS, managing waste costs New York taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars annually, and

WHEREAS, most plastic packaging is not recyclable, and reusable and refillable packaging systems are not widely available, and

WHEREAS, plastic causes serious pollution, including litter and use of toxic chemicals, and

WHEREAS, companies that produce packaging should be responsible for the costs of managing packaging waste, not just taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, enacting the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act, pending in the New York Assembly and the New York Senate, would reduce waste, increase recycling rates, create jobs, reduce toxicity in packaging, provide millions of dollars in savings for local governments and taxpayers, and lower greenhouse gas emissions, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale urges the New York State Legislature to pass and Governor Kathy Hochul to sign into law a strong and effective Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act, Senate Bill 1464/Assembly Bill 1749, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale directs the Town Clerk to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Kathy Hochul, New York Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, and New York State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assemblymember Sarahana Shrestha, Senator Michelle Hinchey and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Motion made at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale, June 11, 2025, by Supervisor Walsh and seconded by Councilmember Wykoff.

VOTING MEMBERS:

Councilman Cassidy Yes

Councilman Havranek Yes

Councilmember Sweeney Yes

Councilmember Wykoff Yes

Supervisor Walsh Yes

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Mandy Donald – Town Clerk