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RESOLUTION NO. 209

OPPOSING THE DISCHARGE OF CONTAMINATED WATER FROM INDIAN POINT INTO THE HUDSON RIVER AND URGING THE NYS LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT S.5181 AND A.5338 AMENDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW IN RELATION TO THE DISCHARGE OF ANY RADIOLOGICAL AGENT INTO THE WATERS OF THE STATE

WHEREAS, the company decommissioning the Indian Point nuclear power plant has announced its intention to release water from onsite radioactive fuel waste pools into the Hudson River; and

WHEREAS, to date there has been no specific reporting of the radionuclide contents of this water which is heavily contaminated from the storage of the nuclear fuel waste; and

WHEREAS, pre-release filtration to remove these isotopes has been presented as a solution to reduce the content of these carcinogenic contaminants to a level "as low as reasonably achievable;" and

WHEREAS, the National Academy of Science has indicated that there is no verifiable safe level of these isotopes when they are ingested or inhaled and such pre-release treatment would not remove tritium, also carcinogenic, from the water; and

WHEREAS, any contaminants in the Hudson present the risk of entering the food chain; and

WHEREAS, there are community members who depend on fish from the river as a food source, and in addition, there are seven communities upriver who source their drinking water from the Hudson; and

WHEREAS, since the river is an estuary that flows from south to north as well as from north to south, this fact must be considered; and

WHEREAS, the river also serves as a source of recreational activities and represents an economic resource that will be endangered by this reckless action; and

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WHEREAS, New York Senate bill S.5181 and New York State Assembly bill A.5338 have been introduced, an act to amend the Environmental Conservation Law to prohibit the discharge of any radiological agent into the waters of the State; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orangetown Town Board hereby strongly opposes the plan to release over a million gallons of contaminated water from the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant site into the Hudson River; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Orangetown Town Board hereby urges the New York State Senate to pass S.5181 and the New York State Assembly to pass A.5338 - an act to amend the Environmental Conservation Law to prohibit the discharge of any radiological agent into the waters of the State and urges the governor to sign such legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Town Board is hereby authorized and directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Hon. Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York; Hon. Bill Weber, New York State Senator; Hon. John W. McGowan, Member of the New York State Assembly; the President Pro Tempore of the New York State Senate; the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; the Majority and Minority Leaders of the New York State Senate and Assembly; the New York State Public Service Commission, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the Indian Point Decommissioning Oversight Board; and to such other persons as the Clerk in her discretion may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

Councilperson Jerry Bottari offered the above resolution, which was seconded by Councilperson Paul Valentine and was Adopted:

Motion: 5 - 0

Ayes: Councilperson Thomas Diviny, Councilperson Paul Valentine, Councilperson Jerry Bottari, Supervisor Teresa M. Kenny, Councilperson Brian Donohue

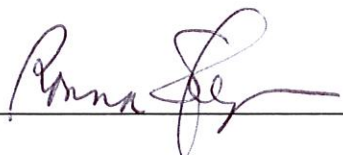
Noes: None

**STATE OF NEW YORK,
ROCKLAND COUNTY, } S.S.
TOWN OF ORANGETOWN**

I, Rosanna Sfraga, Town Clerk, of said Town of Orangetown, County of Rockland hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 209 adopted at the April 11, 2023 Regular Town Board Meeting, with the original now on file in said office, and find the same to be a true and correct transcript.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name
and affixed the seal of said Town of Orangetown,**

This 14th day of April, 2023



Town Clerk