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Hon. Andrew C. Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State St., Rm. 710
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Dear Chairman Joyce:

Enclosed is a Request for Legislative Action from the Department of Management and Budget seeking approval/adoption of a Fund Balance Policy. Statement No. 54 from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), titled "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type definitions" is intended to provide clear fund balance classifications to enhance the usefulness and accountability of fund balance information.

The Policy attached to this request is based upon the Governmental Accounting Standards Board statement No. 54 as well as other Fund Balance policies from across NY State. These policies are not required by the NY State Comptroller, but are highly recommended. This policy helps to establish parameters by which Albany County can define and account for our fiscal resources.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me at your convenience. I will be at the Committee meetings where this is discussed as well.

Sincerely,

M. David Reilly
Deputy Commissioner

cc: Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
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