

J. Ryan McMahon II

County Executive

ongov.net

Media Release

For Immediate Release: 1.2.2019 Contact: Mark Nicotra (315) 435-3516

County Executive Ryan McMahon Applauds County Legislature for Extending Historic Sales Tax Agreement

Continued progress being made in the spirit of cooperation

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – County Executive J. Ryan McMahon, II today applauded the County Legislature for passing a 10-year extension of the historic sales tax agreement. The vote affirms the previous agreement passed in 2010 which will now expire in 2030.

The extension of the current formula not only ensures a healthy city of Syracuse, but that Onondaga County continues to have the resources it needs to provide the level of services and programs the taxpayers have come to expect in all areas of our county. From our world-class parks to investments in our infrastructure, Onondaga County has a strong track record of making smart, financially responsible investments with the resources available. Just as important, Onondaga County is the sole government responsible for providing human services and is on the front-lines every day addressing issues of poverty in our urban, suburban and rural communities. The vote today, done in the spirit of cooperation, recognizes we are all in this together and ensures Onondaga County remains a steadfast leader in the region.

County Executive McMahon said, "The County Legislature took an important step today in recognizing the importance of a financially stable city. We cannot have a healthy county or region without a healthy city. The extension of this sales tax agreement will provide needed financial certainty to our partners in city government and ensure that everyone has the resources they need to address important issues like poverty, infrastructure and economic development." McMahon continued, "The extension of this historic sales tax agreement is simply the right thing to do and I look forward to our friends on the City Council affirming their support in the coming days."

The Common Council is anticipated to vote on the agreement at their January meeting.