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Hon. Amanda L. Chapman, Secretary  
Inter-County Association of WNY  
c/o Steuben County Legislature  
3 East Pulteney Square  
Bath, NY 14810

Dear Ms. Chapman,

Thank you for forwarding me the Inter-County Association of WNY's Resolution No. 008-25 Calling for the repeal of the Humane Alternative to Long-Term Solitary Confinement Act (HALT Act).

I have called for the immediate repeal of the HALT Act to restore safety to New York's prisons for corrections officers and inmates. The HALT Act has harmed corrections officers and has allowed NYS Prisons to devolve into chaos.

Along with the staffing shortages the HALT Act stands in the way of corrections officer's safety. Corrections officers take on the hard day-to-day tasks that are made even more dangerous and difficult due to the HALT Act.

My thanks to you and the members of the Inter-County Association of WNY for all you do for your constituents. Please accept my best wishes, and feel free to contact me again if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Joe Sempolinski  
Member of Assembly

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