



**Tompkins County Council of Governments**

Governor Daniel D. Tompkins Building  
Ithaca, NY 14850

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**ADOPTED  
RESOLUTION**

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**Resolution Calling on Governor Cuomo and the New York State  
Legislature to Raise the Minimum Wage to \$15/Hour Statewide**

MOVED by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Weiser. A voice vote resulted as follows: Ayes – 10, Noes – 1 (Ms. Conger, Village of Groton).

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo has stated a goal of raising the minimum wage in New York State to \$15 per hour, to be phased in by 2021, and

WHEREAS, raising incomes is critical to providing economic mobility and opportunity for working families, and

WHEREAS, the growth in income inequality in recent years has created serious divisions within our society, and

WHEREAS, to lessen any negative effects of a minimum wage increase, and to keep the playing field level, a minimum wage increase needs to apply to a large number of people, and

WHEREAS, wages paid by a variety of health and human service providers are often limited by State-established cost reimbursement formulas, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Tompkins County Council of Governments asks the Governor and the New York State Legislature to proceed with the plan to enact a \$15 per hour minimum wage in New York State, to be phased in by 2021,

RESOLVED, further, That the Tompkins County Council of Governments asks the Governor and the New York State Legislature to also increase financial assistance to County governments to support a \$15 per hour wage floor in local human services contracts,

RESOLVED, further, That the Clerk send copies to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senators James Seward, Michael Nozzolio, and Tom O’Mara, and Assemblywoman Barbara Lifton, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assembly Committee on Labor Chair Michele Titus, Temporary President and Senate Majority Leader John J. Flanagan, Senate Labor Committee Chair Jack M. Martins, and NYSAC (New York State Association of Counties).

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF TOMPKINS)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Tompkins County Council of Governments on February 25, 2016.

Michelle Pottorff, Staff  
Tompkins County Council of Governments