

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTION

ULSTER COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

RESOLUTION NO. 2290, April 15, 2013

RE: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM FOR PAINT

WHEREAS, it is estimated that roughly 3.1 million gallons of leftover paint are generated in New York each year, and

WHEREAS, management of leftover paint in New York results in a cost that typically represents 50% of municipal household hazardous waste budgets, and

WHEREAS, a statewide paint stewardship program would mean that the paint industry would be responsible for collecting and managing leftover paint in New York, and

WHEREAS, in addition to reducing government costs, a paint stewardship program would create green sector jobs, reduce waste and encourage the public to purchase the right amount of paint for a job, and

WHEREAS, the American Coatings Association, a trade association representing paint manufactures from across the United States has created **PaintCare**, a non-profit program to manage the reuse, recycling and disposal of leftover paint, and

WHEREAS, other states, including Rhode Island, Oregon, and Connecticut have passed legislation implementing paint recovery programs managed by PaintCare, saving local municipalities tens of thousands of dollars to manage the paint as part of household hazardous waste collection programs,

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency therefore wishes to express its support for industry sponsored statewide paint recycling legislation, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency hereby urges the New York State Legislature to enact industry sponsored paint recycling legislation which would require the paint industry to be responsible for collecting and managing leftover paint in New York. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution Adopted Date: April 15, 2013

Moved by: _____ Charles Landi _____ **Seconded by:** _____ Al Teetsel _____

Vote: Ayes 5 Nays 0 Abstentions 0

Signed: _____