

1 **2025 NYSAC Legislative Conference**
2 **NYSAC Board of Directors**
3 **Resolution #2**

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5 **Resolution Urging New York’s Congressional Delegation to Oppose**
6 **Disproportionate Federal Funding Cuts and Mitigate the SALT Deduction**
7 **Cap’s Impact**
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9 **WHEREAS**, President Trump and congressional leaders are actively negotiating how
10 to implement major federal funding cuts to help offset the cost of extending federal tax
11 cuts for individuals, while also adding new tax cuts for individuals and corporations;
12 and increasing spending for defense, border security and deportations; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, the cost of extending tax cuts, adding new tax cuts, and increasing
15 spending for presidential priorities are approaching \$10 trillion over 10 years by some
16 estimates; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, the goal is to reduce federal spending by up to \$2.5 trillion over 10 years,
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21 **WHEREAS**, President Trump has indicated a desire to protect key programs from cuts
22 including social security, Medicare, interest on the debt, veteran’s services, defense and
23 border security, which comprises nearly 70 percent of all federal spending; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, these parameters will require a small subset of federal programs including
26 Medicaid, child care, social services, education, surface transportation, mass transit, the
27 federal workforce, medical research, public health, green energy programs, among other
28 items to bear the cost reductions; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, many of the cuts being considered will disproportionately impact New
31 York because the state utilizes these programs more than other states, or existing federal
32 formulas target populations prevalent in New York in need of federally defined services
33 such as Medicaid, Affordable Care Act (ACA) health insurance subsidies, clean energy
34 subsidies and incentives, TANF and other social service programs; and

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36 **WHEREAS**, the uneven treatment of a minority of states bearing most of the federal
37 funding cut burden extends to the current cap on federal income tax deductions related
38 to SALT which has harmed so many New Yorkers in the past seven years taking money
39 directly out of their pockets and local economy, and subjecting them to double taxation
40 under the federal tax code for the first time since inception of the individual income tax
41 over 100 years ago; and

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43 **WHEREAS**, the biggest vulnerability to New York are the massive cuts being
44 considered to Medicaid and ACA health insurance subsidies which provide health
45 coverage to nearly half of all New Yorkers and provide revenue directly to tens of
46 thousands of health care providers and facilities across the state; and

1 **WHEREAS**, our entire nation, and New York, relies on an integrated health care
2 system that is funded by a wide variety of sources including individual out-of-pocket
3 pay, private group insurance, direct government spending (federal, state and local), and
4 federal tax incentives that support private insurance; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, federal direct spending pays for about 40 percent of health care service
7 delivery in the U.S. according to the Peterson Foundation and the Congressional
8 Research Service, not including federal tax incentives of about \$380 billion annually
9 that support the availability of private health insurance provided by most employers;
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12 **WHEREAS**, because the cuts being considered are broad and deep, the lost revenue to
13 support the overall health care system would cause health care providers of all types to
14 limit or end services due to a lack of revenues and covered individuals; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, these impacts would fall on anyone seeking health care services; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, in New York State more than eight million people receive their health care
19 through Medicaid, 1.5 million receive their health care through ACA health insurance
20 subsidies and nearly 600,000 children are enrolled in CHIP; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, federal Medicaid and other health care program cuts being considered
23 could exceed \$1 trillion over the next decade based on proposals currently being
24 circulated; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, while federal Medicaid and ACA cuts vary widely, and can be dialed up or
27 down, some could reduce federal Medicaid funding to New York by as much as 50
28 percent on an annual basis; which would effectively limit health care for millions of New
29 Yorkers and force numerous health care providers to end service delivery; and

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31 **WHEREAS**, the most damaging cuts to Medicaid and ACA subsidies include
32 establishing federal per capita Medicaid spending caps, imposing Medicaid block grants,
33 not renewing current ACA health insurance subsidies, eliminating the 50 percent federal
34 medical assistance (FMAP) matching rate floor, and limiting or ending the use of
35 currently allowable health care provider taxes; and

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37 **WHEREAS**, Congress is considering large cuts in funding for TANF which provides
38 resources to all states to help low-income families and individuals; and

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40 **WHEREAS**, because New York and California receive about 40 percent of all TANF
41 funding nationwide based on existing federal formulas, any federal cut would
42 disproportionately impact New Yorkers; and

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44 **WHEREAS**, New York is a national leader in building new, and converting commercial
45 and residential energy systems to, greener and renewable energy sources, the loss of
46 federal tax credits and incentives being considered by repealing entire Titles of the
47 Inflation Reduction Act, which also provides direct subsidies to commercial enterprises

1 and counties that reduce their energy and carbon emission footprint in New York State
2 will jeopardize thousands of high-paying jobs.

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4 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of
5 Counties (NYSAC) calls on the New York Congressional Delegation to protect New York
6 from the most damaging and disproportionate federal funding cuts being considered in
7 Budget Reconciliation as described above; and

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9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, NYSAC urges the Congressional Delegation to fix
10 SALT as the President has promised; and

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12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, NYSAC urges the Congressional Delegation to protect
13 existing federal financial commitments already made to New York that support
14 Medicaid, ACA programs, surface transportation, mass transit, income security, green
15 energy implementation, advanced manufacturing (including semiconductor chip
16 manufacturing) that provide direct services to millions of New Yorkers and will protect
17 hundreds of thousands of high paying jobs; and

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19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties
20 of New York encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

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22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties shall
23 forward copies of this resolution to the New York Congressional Delegation, Governor
24 Kathy Hochul, the New York State Legislature, and all others deemed necessary and
25 proper.