

NEWS FROM ASSEMBLYMAN MARC MOLINARO

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MOLINARO, ASSEMBLY REPUBLICAN CONFERENCE LAUNCH “STOP GOVERNMENT WASTE” WEBSITE

Assemblyman encourages taxpayers to visit site, www.stopgovernmentwasteny.com

Assemblyman Marc Molinaro (R,I,C-Red Hook) today joined his Republican colleagues, including Minority Leader Brian Kolb (R,I,C-Canandaigua), in launching a new website that aids taxpayers and state employees in reporting any waste of taxpayer dollars. This website is part of their continued fight to prevent the loss of taxpayer dollars that occurs annually through state waste, fraud and abuse.

“This website is a great resource to aid New York State in cracking down on waste, fraud and abuse of taxpayer funds. By doing so, we can save millions of dollars a year allowing state government to close budget gaps and give relief to beleaguered taxpayers. Empire State residents are frustrated and angry; they want to continue to call New York home, but in order for them to do so state government must alter its bad spending habits, rein in spending and make New York affordable again,” said Molinaro.

The site will seek the direct input of taxpayers and state employees who can anonymously report wasteful acts they have witnessed, or of which they have become aware. The Assembly Republican Conference will then publicize the reports, submit them to the Administration, and seek non-partisan legislative remedies to rectify the problems to ensure greater fiscal accountability and responsibility in state government. The website, www.stopgovernmentwasteny.com, is now active and some of its features include:

- Offering taxpayers and state employees an on-line mechanism to report known instances of state government waste directly on the website – it also allows individuals reporting such tips an ability to retain their anonymity;
- Listing of several recent examples uncovered by the media of state government waste, fraud and misuse of taxpayer dollars; and
- An outline of how government waste leads to higher taxes, a strain on the delivery of essential public services and further erodes public confidence in state government and the men and women serving in it.

“I encourage everyone to log online and see what they can do to help end state waste, fraud and abuse. Together we can enact reforms that will make this state one where everyone can afford to live and work,” concluded Molinaro.

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