

BUFFALO FISCAL STABILITY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 06 - 00

HONORING RICHARD TOBE, BFSA's FIRST SECRETARY

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2003, New York State Governor George Pataki signed into law Chapter 122 of the Laws of 2003, also known as the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority Act, which created the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority ("BFSA") to have a broad range of financial control and oversight power with respect to the City of Buffalo's finances and the finances of any non-exempt covered organizations; and

WHEREAS, upon the joint recommendation of the Speaker of the Assembly and the Temporary President of the Senate, the Governor appointed attorney Richard Tobe, as a Director of the Authority in August of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tobe, having previously served as Chief of Staff to the late Assemblymember William Hoyt and having witnessed the creation of the New York City financial control board, proved to be well-versed in the legislative and legal requirements for fiscally distressed municipalities; and

WHEREAS, his prior experience as Commissioner of Environment and Planning for the County of Erie under former Erie County Executive Dennis Gorski also brought him intimate knowledge of the workings of local governments; and

WHEREAS, BFSA Chairman Thomas E. Baker and the Board appointed Mr. Tobe to be the BFSA Secretary, in recognition of his keen sense of detail and accuracy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tobe's tenure with the BFSA has been marked by unparalleled diligence in meeting his duties as Director, Secretary and the liaison with the Western New York State Delegation; and

WHEREAS, seizing an opportunity to further assist the City of Buffalo, Mr. Tobe has chosen to take on the challenge of being Commissioner of Economic Development & Permit & Inspection Services, with the goal of over-hauling and improving the development atmosphere in the City; and

WHEREAS, while Mr. Tobe has chosen to resign from the BFSA Board, he cannot step away from the impact he has made on the growth and maturation of the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority does hereby adjourn its meeting of January 25, 2006 in honor and appreciation of Richard Tobe, Esq. for his enduring contribution to the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority and the citizens of the City of Buffalo.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 25, 2006

/S/ Brian J. Lipke
Brian J. Lipke, Chair

/S/ Rev. Richard A. Stenhouse
Rev. Richard A. Stenhouse, Secretary