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Resolution in Support of State Legislation Creating a Public Power Authority

**Whereas**, New York State residents, on average, pay among the highest utility rates in the Continental United States, and

**Whereas**, National Grid is a foreign owned investment utility providing electrical power to the service area of the Alliance for Municipal Power (AMP), and

**Whereas**, the member municipalities of AMP, in St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, have resolved to develop a plan for public power to serve their communities, and

**Whereas**, Public Authorities may only be created by the State of New York, and

**Whereas**, AMP and the municipalities have collectively determined that the only entity which will allow them to accomplish their public power goals requires the creation of a Public Power Authority, and

**Whereas**, it appears that such a Public Power Authority, acting as a Public Power Utility, would be in the best interest of the citizens of the AMP communities, and

**Whereas**, Russell Public Library\_ is located within the AMP community, and

**Whereas**, Russell Public Library considers the creation of a public power utility to be in the long term energy and economic interests of the AMP communities,

**Therefore be it resolved**,

1. That the Russell Public Library supports legislation to be presented before the Senate and Assembly of the State of New York to enact a Public Power Authority for the participating municipalities of the St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, and
2. That a signed copy of this Resolution be mailed to Robert Best, Chairman, AMP, P.O. Box 173, Canton, NY 13617, and
3. That AMP may distribute copies of this resolution to the State Senate and Assembly members and the Governor of New York State.

Date: 3-25-08

Signature: Margaret A. Pike

Title: President