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***Broome County Clerk Mihalko Announces New
DMV 'Drop Box' in the First Ward of Binghamton for Increased Access***

Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko continues to add to the number of Broome County DMV 'drop boxes' at locations around the county as a way of increasing access for processing DMV renewals locally.

"Broome County residents pay some of the highest property taxes and fees in the nation," said Broome County Clerk Joe Mihalko. "Too often they see their hard-earned money go to New York State and never return. However, when DMV transactions are processed at our local DMVs, we keep 12.7% of the fees locally to fund projects in Broome County. As County Clerk, I want to encourage everyone to use our local DMVs and keep those fees in the local economy. We have Saturday hours at the Endicott DMV office. We have weekly satellite offices in Conklin, Harpursville, Whitney Point and Windsor. Starting this year, we are also offering 'drop boxes' at multiple locations around Broome County."

The newest 'drop box' is located inside the First Ward Senior Center at 226 Clinton Street in Binghamton. County residents are encouraged to drop off their license renewals and vehicle registrations renewals at the new location. This joins other 'drop boxes' at the Broome West Senior Center in Endwell, the Eastern Broome Senior Center in Harpursville, the Northern Broome Senior Center in Whitney Point, the Johnson City Senior Center in Johnson City, and the Broome County Office Building in Binghamton. County residents are encouraged to drop off their license renewals and vehicle registrations renewals at any of the them.

"I am very excited to see the installation of the DMV 'drop box' in the First Ward," said Binghamton City Councilman Giovanni Scaringi (District 1), who represents the First Ward. "This is a great example of cooperation between City and County governments. I'm proud to have worked with Joe Mihalko in the past and to continue to do so. This DMV 'drop box' will greatly benefit local residents, and make services more easily accessible for our elderly population."

"Currently, only 40% of DMV transactions are handled in our local offices, while approximately 60% are processed by New York State. If everyone used the local DMV instead of sending their paperwork to New York State, we would see an extra \$500,000 in revenue for Broome County," said Broome County Clerk Joe Mihalko. "Think of the miles of local streets that could be milled and paved; or the local property taxes that could be offset during the annual budget cycle. I strongly

encourage Broome County residents to do everything they can to keep their hard-earned money in their own pockets and in our community.”

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