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Memorandum in Opposition

S5474 – Senator Rivera

A6058 – MoA Gottfried

**An act to amend the public health law and the state finance law,
in relation to enacting the "New York health act"
and establishing New York Health**

OPPOSE !

This bill would take effect immediately upon its enactment, with the caveat that the program, as established by this act, will begin functioning when the Commissioner of Health declares the beginning of the implementation period. It would create a universal single payer health plan – New York Health – to provide comprehensive health coverage for all New Yorkers.

Our association is comprised of unions, indeed certified bargaining units, individually representing members who enjoy various health benefits plans. Each of these units has collectively bargained, over the course of decades, those plans that were attained in lieu of salary and/or other compensation. The above-captioned legislation offers no recompense to those who have sacrificed to achieve their existing health benefits. Additionally, absent in the bill text is any specific mechanism to pay for it, which on its face would necessitate new taxation. Further, aside from a plan to study the issue, there is no definitive provision for out-of-state retirees, so our current and future retirees who choose to live outside New York would be stripped of the health benefits they worked so hard and long to enjoy, unless and until such a modification is emplaced.

Therefore, The New York State Association of PBAs, Inc., the largest umbrella group of police organizations in the state, representing more than 45,000 police officers, strongly opposes this legislation, and urges its defeat.

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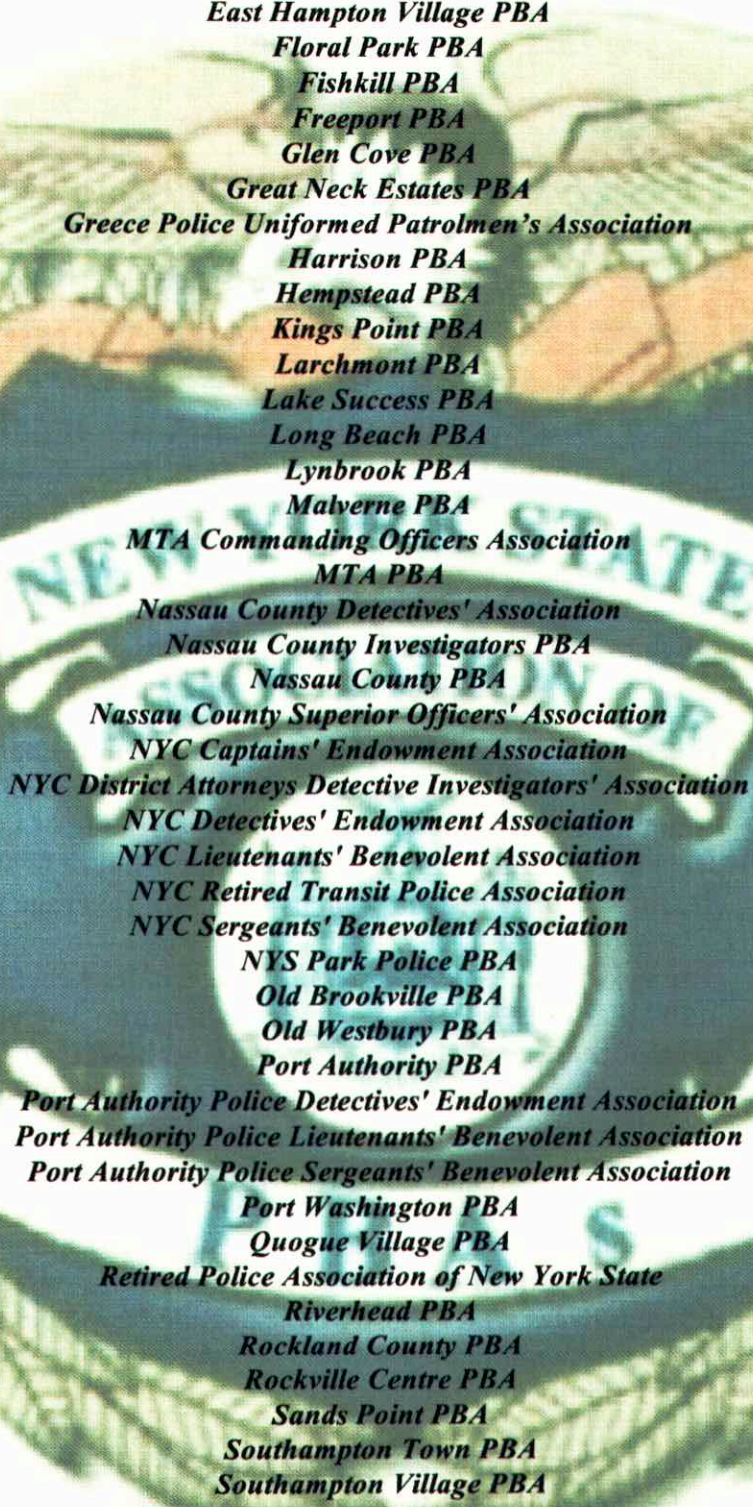
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