

**RESOLUTION #21 OF 2021**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED STATE  
FUNDING FOR BELLEAYRE MOUNTAIN SKI CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, Belleayre Mountain Ski Center (“Belleayre”), which is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“ORDA”), is an important economic engine for the Catskill Region and, by extension, the Town of Middletown, and

**WHEREAS**, Belleayre is in need of various, costly upgrades in order to continue to accommodate increased skier traffic and to remain competitive with other, comparable ski resorts, including the replacement of an unreliable chairlift, trail expansion, and upgrades to the Overlook Lodge; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State has reportedly allocated approximately \$3 million in funding to Belleayre for the 2021-22 budget cycle, while simultaneously allocating approximately \$100 million to ORDA-operated ski venues in the Adirondack Region; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the position of the Town Board that the disparity between the reported State funding allocations for Belleayre and the ORDA-operated ski venues in the Adirondacks unfairly disadvantages the Catskill Region, and hampers Belleayre’s ability to maintain a high-quality recreational experience for an increasing number of visitors.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Town Board of the Town of Middletown hereby expresses its continued support for Belleayre, and implores Governor Andrew Cuomo to take immediate action to provide a more equitable funding allocations to Belleayre, relative to its ORDA-operated counterparts in the Adirondack Region.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a Certified Copy of this Resolution be sent to the following: Governor Andrew Cuomo; NYS Senator Peter Oberacker, NYS Assemblyman Christopher Tague, US Representative Antonio Delgado, Tina B. Mole, Chairman-Board of Supervisors, Kelly Cummings, Chair-ORDA Board of Directors and Michael Pratt-ORDA CEO.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, recorded as follows:

Motion made by: Brian Sweeney

Seconded by: Nelson Delameter

Council Member Julia Reischel was not in attendance.

Resolution adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays

I hereby certified that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Middletown at its regular meeting held on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Dated: August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

*Patricia F. Kelly*  
Patricia F. Kelly, Town Clerk  
Town of Middletown

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TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN }

I have compared the preceding copy with the original Resolution on file in this office adopted by the Town Board of Middletown at a regular meeting held August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and I DO HEREBY CERTIFY the same to be a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of the original. I further certify the vote thereon was as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	VOTE
Supervisor Davis		<u>Yea</u> /Nay/Abstain
Councilperson Sweeney		<u>Yea</u> /Nay/Abstain
Councilperson Delameter		<u>Yea</u> /Nay/Abstain
Councilperson Reischel	ABSENT	Yea/Nay/Abstain
Councilperson Dabritz		<u>Yea</u> /Nay/Abstain

Dated: August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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