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LEGISLATION ANNOUNCED TO CREATE LARGEST SOLAR INSTALLATION IN UPSTATE NEW YORK

Project to yield \$7.3 million in cost savings over 20 years

County Executive **Maggie Brooks** was joined today by Nathan Rizzo, Vice President of Solar Liberty to announce legislation that has been submitted to the Monroe County Legislature for consideration this evening, creating the largest solar installation in Upstate New York. This project is a great example of how Monroe County has found ways to save taxpayer dollars through the integration of energy saving technology.

"I am proud to announce yet another cost-savings that will serve local taxpayers through reduced energy costs, and put Monroe County on the map with the largest solar installation in Upstate New York," said Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks. "This project not only demonstrates our commitment to being ethical stewards of the local environment, but shows how we continue to embrace green initiatives that ultimately protect our community for future generations."

The solar panel arrays' 11 mega-watts of power produced in Monroe County will generate \$366,000 annually to offset utility bills by buying the electricity generated from the solar panels from Solar Liberty and selling it to the grid (RG&E). Over the 20 years of the agreement, taxpayers will save over \$7.3 million.

The arrays will be installed in two locations. One adjacent to the closed Gloria Drive Landfill in Penfield, producing 4 mega-watts on 10 acres, and the other adjacent to the Northwest Quadrant Treatment Plant in Greece, producing 7 mega-watts on 17.5 acres. Both sites were selected to yield the best solar power results, but minimize visual impact to the community.

This project will continue a long line of green, energy saving projects Monroe County has been proud to complete.

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