SAMPLE Resolution in Support of State Legislation for Tanker-Avoidance Zones

Whereas, the U.S. Coast Guard is currently considering a proposal to establish new anchorage areas along the Hudson River between Yonkers and Kingston;

And whereas, the [NAME OF MUNICIPALITY] is home to [describe local economic, natural, and scenic assets], which the integrity of are threatened by the U.S. Coast Guard's proposal;

And whereas, the [NAME OF MUNICIPALITY] has documented its concerns about the anchoring of petroleum-carrying tankers, including disrupting the economic vitality of the waterfront, endangering drinking water supplies, damaging fish habitat and detracting from scenic beauty and quality of life along the river (see Resolution [ENTER LOCAL RESOULTUION NUMBER,] of 2016);

And whereas, New York State Assemblymember Didi Barrett has introduced Assembly Bill A06825, which would enable New York State agencies to consider environmental impacts in designating "tanker-avoidance zones";

And whereas, New York State Senator Sue Serino has introduced the same measure in the Senate as Bill S05197;

And whereas this proposal would enable New York State to take a stronger role in controlling the placement of any anchorage areas for petroleum-carrying vessels, to ensure that the needs of the Hudson River and riverfront communities are protected;

Now therefore be it resolved that the [NAME OF MUNICIPAL BOARD OR COUNCIL] expresses its support for Assembly Bill A06825 and Senate Bill S05197.

Please send copies of your passed municipal resolution to the following offices:

New York State Assembly:

- Local Assembly Representative
- Assemblywoman Didi Barrett LOB 553 Albany, NY 12248
 Fax: 518-455-5418

New York State Senate:

• Local Senate Representative

 Senator Sue Serino Legislative Office Building, Room 812 Albany, NY 12247

Not-for-Profit organizations:

- The NYS Association of Towns, NYS Conference of Mayors, Association of Counties, or any other municipal associations to which your local government belongs
- Jeremy Cherson, Campaign Advocacy Coordinator Riverkeeper
 20 Secor Road Ossining, NY 10562 jcherson@riverkeeper.org
- Rebecca De La Cruz, Advocacy Associate Scenic Hudson One Civic Center Plaza, 2nd Floor Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 <u>rdelacruz@scenichudson.org</u> FAX: (845) 473-2648