



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Suzi Oppenheimer

Press Conference to Announce the Signing of the Smart Growth and Infrastructure Policy Act

SUZI OPPENHEIMER October 18, 2010

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On August 30, 2010, Governor David Paterson signed into law the State Smart Growth and Infrastructure Policy Act. This groundbreaking new law will fundamentally change the way that state agencies fund public infrastructure projects by requiring the use of smart growth principles to combat sprawl and promote environmentally sound development. Passage of the law was a top legislative priority of environmental groups throughout the state.

Senator Suzi Oppenheimer (D-Mamaroneck) was the chief sponsor of the Smart Growth bill in the Senate. She will be joined by leading environmental and community groups to express their appreciation to the Governor and outline how the new law will help Westchester communities revitalize existing infrastructure, promote sound economic redevelopment, preserve open spaces and create jobs.

WHO: Senator Suzi Oppenheimer (D-Mamaroneck)

Senator Velmanette Montgomery (D-Brooklyn)

Assemblywoman Sandy Galef (D-Ossining)

Bill Hanauer, Mayor, Village of Ossining

Ruth Naomi Colon, NYS Acting Secretary of State

Paul Beyer, Director of Smart Growth, NY Department of State

Peter Fleischer, Exec. Dir., Empire State Future

Albert E. Caccese, Exec. Dir., Audubon New York

Members of the Empire State Future Coalition and other environmental, business,
and community groups supporting the Smart Growth Act

WHEN: Monday, October 18, 2010 @ 11:30 AM

WHERE: Ossining Public Library

Budarz Theater

53 Croton Ave., Ossining, NY 10562