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## Community Update: Week Ending 2/26/2010

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dissolving the Genesee Valley Regional Market Authority – one of the only successful authorities in New York State. The Governor not only is determined to repeal the Authority, but looks to transfer its assets to the Empire State Development Corporation to be liquidated. The plan to abolish the Authority is reckless and unjustified. My legislation, S.6899, would establish a twelve month moratorium on any sale, takeover or dissolution of the assets of the Authority until the Authority's economic output can be assessed and presented to the Governor. Created in 1951, the Genesee Valley Regional Market has become an economic engine in Western New York. Presently, the nine-county, food distribution center, located on 123 acres in Henrietta, is home to 160 companies and nearly 1,600 employees. I am certain that the Authority has great benefit to our community and to our region and that this legislation will save a vital economic engine I am looking to promote in New York State.

### **National Eating Disorder Week – February 21st - 27th**

February 21st - 27th is National Eating Disorder Week, increasing

in a timely manner and then promptly send out refunds.

The Governor's actions would require taxpayers to loan their money to the state involuntarily without any return compensation. Under current economic conditions, I find it unconscionable that the Governor would even consider delaying the return of taxpayers' money to them. I see this legislation as a necessary and immediate answer to fight against the Governor's ongoing desire to fleece state taxpayers of their hard-earned money.

Specifically, S.3985 would require the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance to pay any refund due within 30 days of receiving the tax return. The 30 days still provides the Department an adequate timeframe in which to review the tax return submitted to ensure accuracy, and then to mail the return without undue delay. If the