

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Thomas F. O'Mara

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"Encouraging organ and tissue donation is one of the most important life-saving actions that we can take in New York State," said State Senator Tom O'Mara (R,C,I-Big Flats) following today's announcement that Governor Andrew Cuomo has signed into law legislation O'Mara co-sponsored this session authorizing 16 and 17 year olds to decide to make organ donations upon their death.

Today's action comes following a new law signed by the governor earlier this year -- a measure O'Mara also co-sponsored -- to extend New York's landmark organ donation initiative known as "Lauren's Law" for four additional years. Read more on that action **HERE**.

Read the Senator's column on organ donation, "This law deserves four more years"

To find out more, visit Donate Life America at <a href="http://donatelife.net/">http://donatelife.net/</a>

Read more from the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles.

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