STATE OF NEW YORK
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ERIE COUNTY
CLERK'S OFFICE
BUFFALO, N. Y., March 11th, 1955

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a Session of the Board of Supervisors of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the eighth day of March A. D., 1955 a Resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, a flood condition of major proportions again took place on Tuesday of last week, causing extensive property damage to the residents of our County, and

WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors recorded itself in June of 1953 as favoring a re-survey of Smokes Creek by the United States Engineers, to the end that proper steps be taken to solve the potential damage from floods created by this creek, and

WHEREAS, Cazenovia Creek and Cayuga Creek are also contributing factors to the prevalent flood conditions, and it is now glaringly apparent that the clearing and snagging project carried out in Smokes Creek by the Engineers in 1953 has failed to correct the hazardous conditions, insofar as Smokes Creek is concerned, and

WHEREAS, in addition to the recent flood, the lack of finality as a curative measure by the clearing and snagging project is pointed up by the unanimity of refusal among insurance carriers to issue flood insurance to area residents, and

WHEREAS, it becomes obvious that the United States Engineers should survey Cazenovia Creek and Cayuga Creek in an attempt to solve the flood problem created by their waters, and

WHEREAS, it is now the consensus of officials that these repeated catastrophic occurrences, insofar as Smokes Creek is concerned, can be prevented only by either damming, leveeing, widening the channel or directing the waters of Smokes Creek to new channels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this Board of Supervisors record itself in favor of immediate steps by the United States Engineers to the end that Smokes Creek be either dammed, levees built, the channel widened, or the waters thereof directed to new channels, whichever, in their opinion, will effect a permanent cure of conditions causing these recurring floods, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the United States Engineers survey Cazenovia Creek and Cayuga Creek to the end that further damage as a result of floods from these creeks be prevented.

ATTEST

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Erie County