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## **County Executive Ryan McMahon & Syracuse Mayor Ben Walsh Announce Extension of Historic Sales Tax Agreement**

*Agreement subject to confirmation by County Legislature and Common Council*

**SYRACUSE, N.Y.** – County Executive J. Ryan McMahon, II and Syracuse Mayor Ben Walsh announced today an agreement to extend the historic sales tax agreement originally made in 2010. The extension is for 10 years, expiring in 2030.

County Executive McMahon said, “As I have said since my time on the Syracuse Common Council, we cannot have a healthy county without a healthy city. Syracuse is on the rise and home to thousands of jobs that people from outside Syracuse drive to every day. That is why my office has renewed its commitment to partner with Mayor Walsh to address poverty, infrastructure and economic development in a coherent and cohesive way and this agreement does just that.” McMahon continued, “Extending this historic sales tax agreement is simply the right thing to do for our County as a whole.”

Mayor Ben Walsh said, “Extending the sales tax agreement helps ensure that Syracuse has the resources it needs to continue making the progress and investments our residents deserve and expect. The city plays a critical role in the regional economy, and I thank County Executive McMahon for his continued recognition of the importance of having a vibrant urban core. Fiscal sustainability is a key focus for the city, and my administration is fostering an environment in Syracuse that helps us grow as a way to address our challenges.”

The agreement will be considered by the Ways & Means Committee of the Onondaga County Legislature this Friday with a vote of the full legislature shortly after. The Syracuse Common Council will also need to consider and vote on the agreement before it can take effect.

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