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**MOLINARO: SESSION'S END BRINGS LEGISLATIVE
ACHIEVEMENTS, BUT MORE TO DO**
Statement from Assemblyman Marc Molinaro (R,C,I-Red Hook)

This legislative session ushered in many new accomplishments, including an on-time budget, a permanent Power for Jobs program, and a 2 percent property-tax cap. We have made significant progress this year by streamlining government, closing a \$10 billion budget deficit, providing affordable power to businesses, passing legislation that will allow the building of cleaner and more efficient power plants, passing strong ethics reform with the Public Integrity Reform Act of 2011, and last but not least providing relief to New York's beleaguered taxpayers. I am proud of the work we have done this year, but there is still a long road ahead.

Providing substantial unfunded mandate relief is critical to making the new property-tax cap work most effectively for local governments and Hudson Valley taxpayers. In addition, we must do more to break down the barriers to growth by reducing regulations and job-killing taxes. Our job isn't done until we can help to put jobless New Yorkers back to work.

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