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Lovely A. Warren  
Mayor

**FINANCE  
INTRODUCTORY NO.**

**69**

February 3, 2021

MAYOR 37

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Home Rule Resolution – Rochester Housing  
Court

Transmitted herewith for your approval is a home rule resolution related to legislation that is currently being considered by the New York State Legislature. The legislation, Assembly Bill No. A.1131 and Senate Bill No S. 3280, would authorize the establishment of a Rochester Housing Court.

This resolution would establish a housing court in the Rochester City Court. The purpose of this measure is to improve the quality of housing in the City of Rochester by enabling stricter, more effective enforcement of housing standards. The court's jurisdiction will be considerably broadened and the housing court would be empowered to recommend or employ any remedy, program, procedure or sanction authorized by federal, state or local law for the enforcement of housing standards regardless of the relief originally sought by the party.

Respectfully submitted,

Lovely A. Warren  
Mayor

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Resolution No.

**Resolution for the purpose of a Home Rule Message regarding State legislation in relation to the establishment of a housing part in the Rochester City Court**

Concurring in the request by the Mayor of the City of Rochester to the Senate and the Assembly of the State of New York pursuant to Article IX of the New York State Constitution to enact into law certain legislation in relation to the establishment of a housing part in the Rochester City Court.

WHEREAS, the legislation above would be beneficial to the people of Rochester and the City of Rochester does not have the power to enact such legislation by local law.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Rochester that said Council concurs in the request of Lovely A. Warren, Mayor of the City of Rochester, to the Senate and the Assembly of the State of New York, constituting the New York State Legislature, that said Legislature enact the legislation set forth in the following bill entitled:

AN ACT in relation to enacting the Rochester housing court act

Being Senate Bill No. S. 3280 and Assembly Bill No. A. 1131.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.