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**Fulton County's Young Receives Honors for
Completing County Government Institute**

Gregory Young, Fulton County Supervisor, will be honored next week by the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) for graduating from the NYSAC Pelletier County Government Institute. The ceremony will be held on Tuesday, September 21, at the 2015 NYSAC Fall Seminar in Lake Placid.

The NYSAC County Government Institute is an educational program established in conjunction with Cornell University. The Institute provides an educational program for county elected and appointed officials, to enhance the knowledge, skills and abilities of county officials. For more information, visit www.nysac.org.

Young is serving his first term representing Gloversville's Fifth Ward on the Fulton County Board of Supervisors. He serves on the Human Services and Building and Grounds/Highways Committees. Mr. Young also serves as the Director of the New York State Chapter of the Young Elected Officials Network. Young is currently a doctoral candidate at the University at Buffalo and teaches courses in business ethics and government at area colleges.

"The Institute's vigorous curriculum prepares county leaders with the skills and knowledge necessary to meet the increasing demands of local government leadership in 2015 and beyond," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acquario.

Anthony Picente, President of NYSAC and Oneida County Executive agrees. "The County Government Institute equips county officials with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to address the challenges and opportunities of leadership, and to engage in civil dialogue with constituents as well as fellow leaders."

The County Government Institute's comprehensive curriculum includes extensive course work on government ethics, building consensus in a political environment, principles of county budget and finance, and public sector labor/management relations. The courses are supplemented with electives, training sessions, and continuing education courses designed to support county leaders in serving their constituents.

"Participating in the Pelletier Institute gave me a better understanding of practices and innovations in county government, allowing me to serve my county more effectively," Young said.

The New York State Association of Counties is a bipartisan municipal association serving the counties of New York State including the City of New York. Organized in 1925, NYSAC's mission is to represent, educate and advocate for Member Counties and the thousands of elected and appointed county officials who serve the public.

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