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ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE ANNOUNCES NEW PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR NOMINEE

Kingston, NY (October 7, 2009) - Ulster County Executive Mike Hein today announced his nomination of Dr. La Mar Hasbrouck to the position of Ulster County Public Health Director.

Dr. Hasbrouck has extensive experience in the public health sector, on both a national and global level, having held high-level positions with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and a graduate fellowship with the United States Public Health Service. Dr. Hasbrouck is currently stationed in Georgetown, Guyana where he is completing his assignment as the Director of the CDC's national office in that country.

Dr. Hasbrouck received his medical degree from the UCLA School of Medicine, where he was a Dean's Scholar, and his Masters in Public Health from the UC-Berkeley School of Public Health. He also held faculty teaching positions as Adjunct Professor at Emory University School of Medicine and Adjunct Clinical Professor at Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia.

Under Ulster County's new Charter form of government the Public Health Director is appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the Legislature, and is required to be a licensed physician with significant public health experience.

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“I am proud to make Dr. Hasbrouck my nominee. He is an exceptionally well qualified candidate and the person who is capable of working with all of the stakeholders in our community to fulfill my vision of making Ulster County the healthiest county in all of New York State,” said the County Executive. He added, “Everyone is well aware of the challenges faced by the Health Department in the recent past. Today, we set the past aside and continue the process of transforming our Health Department into a top-notch organization; one that is dynamic, efficient – and ready to get the job done.”

The County Executive will be holding a press conference on Wednesday, October 14th at 12:30 p.m. to introduce Dr. Hasbrouck, via teleconference, to the press and public

Upon confirmation, Dr. Hasbrouck will begin his new assignment with Ulster County on November 16, 2009.

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