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## LINDSAY III's GO GREEN INITIATIVE APPROVED

Suffolk County Legislator Bill Lindsay III recently sponsored legislation to promote environmental sustainability by making Suffolk County's intra-county correspondence be sent electronically. The "Go Green" initiative will reduce paper consumption and prevent wasteful spending throughout Suffolk County. Suffolk County has long been a leader in protecting the environment and when American's consume the greatest amount of paper in the world, at roughly 500 pounds per capita, Lindsay III knew something had to be done.

"My main goal has always been to cut government waste and the fact that we still rely heavily on paper seems like a huge waste to me," said Lindsay III. "This is really simple; there is no reason to waste taxpayer money on stamps, envelopes, and paper when we have the resources and the technology to go paperless."

The "Go Green" initiative encourages County employees to send all intra-County communications electronically to reduce the County's dependence on paper. Converting County communications to electronic documents will also save storage space and taxpayer dollars on paper and ink expenditures. In addition, this initiative also encourages legislators to receive their legislative documents via email rather than via hard copy, which can waste 1000s of pages of paper and ink at a significant cost to the County.

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