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Statement from Peter A. Baynes, NYCOM Executive Director, in Response to Governor's Deficit Reduction Plan

"The feeling is unanimous among New Yorkers that the number one problem in our state is high property taxes. While NYCOM appreciates the Governor's leadership in proposing a solution to the state's budget deficit, mid-year cuts in aid to many of the state's most fiscally vulnerable cities is a recipe for dramatic increases in property taxes and cuts in essential services. We urge the Governor and state legislators to make and keep a pledge to not shift the state deficit onto property taxpayers."

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