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CITY HALL GOES "GREEN"

Albany, NY – Today, Mayor Gerald D. Jennings announced that City Hall and Capital Hills at Albany will go "green". Over the next few weeks, the maintenance staff will be transitioning to environmentally sensitive cleaning products. The City will partner in a pilot program with Sun Valley Green to eliminate the use of toxic products.

Sun Valley Green has developed a line of Green Seal certified environmentally preferable cleaning products that are environmentally safe without sacrificing cleaning effectiveness. Sun Valley Green costs are competitive, and are part of the New York State bid process. Green Seal provides science-based environmental certifications standards that are credible, transparent, and based on input from industry, government, academia, and the public.

"As Mayor of the Capital City of New York State, I am proud to take the lead in ensuring that our City's staff, as well as visitors to our City buildings, are not exposed to toxins that endanger their well-being. I am hopeful that we will see positive results, and ultimately introduce "green" products to all city-owned buildings," stated Mayor Jennings.

Sun Valley Green is an environmentally focused company whose mission is to eliminate harmful and deadly toxins from cleaning products that are used in public areas. Teresa Cochran, founder of Sun Valley Green, joined Mayor Jennings at today's press conference. "I'm pleased to stand with Mayor Jennings in the capital city and assist him with his goal of making the city a healthier, safer and greener place to work and live. The Mayors' leadership in green cleaning Albany will be used as a Best Practice for other mayors to follow throughout the state and country," said Ms. Cochran.

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