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## **MEMORANDUM OF LEGISLATION**

<u>DATE:</u> May 05, 2025

<u>TITLE:</u> Protecting the Stoney Hill Cemetery

SPONSOR: Legislator Benjamin Boykin II

<u>PURPOSE OR GENERAL IDEA OF BILL</u>: To protect the historic Stoney Hill Cemetery property located at the Mount Hope A.M.E. Zion Church in White Plains, New York.

<u>INTENT</u>: To preserve and protect the Stoney Hill Cemetery property. The Stoney Hill Cemetery located on this land is a 19th Century African American cemetery located at the Mount Hope A.M.E. Zion Church.

<u>JUSTIFICATION:</u> Recent news reports indicate that the Stoney Hill Cemetery property is being put up for sale. The African American cemetery was never part of any proposed sale. The County must take action to ensure that the total property site is protected.

PRESENT LAW: None.

FISCAL IMACT: TBD