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2012 Democratic Leadership Announced

Minority Leader Jeanette Provenzano, who earlier announced she would not seek re-appointment to serve another term as Minority Leader, announced the results of the incoming Democratic Legislative Caucus. "I am pleased to announce the 2012 Democratic Caucus unanimously selected David Donaldson (D-Kingston) as Minority Leader and Robert Parete (D-Stone Ridge) as Minority Whip. Legislators Donaldson and Parete will represent the 2012 Democratic Caucus beginning on January 1, 2012," said Minority Leader Provenzano.

"I would like to thank the members of the Democratic Caucus for allowing me to serve as their leader. As we begin a new chapter in county government, I look forward to working with Legislators Donaldson, Parete and with the members of the 2012 Democratic Caucus, particularly in such a challenging fiscal environment," concluded Provenzano.

Minority Whip-Elect Robert Parete said, "I will continue to fight for Democratic initiatives, and for a strong and equal voice in County government. This Democratic Caucus has talented individuals with a broad range of strengths and experience and is committed to open and accountable government."

Minority Leader-Elect Donaldson said right after the vote, "Thank you for entrusting me with your support. It is an honor and privilege to represent this new dynamic Democratic caucus. I will insist that each of our member's talents are put to use toward making Ulster County a better place."

Ulster County has been facing extraordinary economic conditions. The Democratic Caucus has and will continue to advocate for initiatives that stimulate economic activity and good paying jobs as well as being committed to open government and fiscal responsibility.

In addition to Jeanette Provenzano, Dave Donaldson and Robert Parete, the 2012 Democratic Caucus includes the following Members:

Rich Parete (Accord)
Tracy Bartels (Gardiner)
Ken Wishnick (New Paltz)
John Parete (Boiceville)

Don Gregorious (Woodstock)
Peter Loughran (Kingston)
Hector Rodriguez (New Paltz)
Thomas Briggs (Wawarsing)