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### **Madison County Reacts to latest on Phase 4**

**Wampsville, NY** – Today, Governor Andrew Cuomo officially announced the changes to NY Forward Phase 4. The Central New York region leaders learned about those changes from state representatives on the daily conference call last night.

“I don’t understand,” said Madison County Chairman John M. Becker. “Our leaders, communities and businesses were led to believe that there were 4 phases to reopening. Now that does not seem to be the case. How many phases are there? Are there phases 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10?”

“Our restaurants, malls, movie theaters, schools, gyms and more are ready to open. They have plans in place to protect their employees as well as patrons. Let us reopen. How does it make sense that a store that has an outside door to a mall can open, but the stores on the inside of the mall cannot?”

Madison County is part of the Central New York region set up by the Governor’s Office as part of the phased reopening plan. Leaders have been working hard to make sure the region is ready, exceeding the metrics established by the state, and making sure our businesses and community know the guidelines that are passed down.

“We are withdrawing from the daily control room calls. Recently they have become a waste of our time,” continued Becker. “All the state had to say is that the original Phase 4 is on hold for right now. Instead, they are moving the goal post once again. No one wants a second wave of this horrible virus, but our community is ready. People are taking the proper precautions; let us get our economy moving again, our businesses open, and our lives back to normal.”

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