

Wegman, Seligman to chair Economic Development Council

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University of Rochester President Joel Seligman and Wegmans Food Markets Inc. CEO Danny Wegman are co-chairs of the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council announced Tuesday by Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

Cuomo unveiled the council during an appearance at Monroe Community College. He was joined by Lt. Gov. Robert Duffy, who will chair 10 regional councils statewide.

The Finger Lakes council will have 19 general members and 12 elected officials from a nine-county territory made up of Monroe, Ontario, Wayne, Livingston, Genesee, Orleans, Seneca, Wyoming and Yates.

The 10 councils will compete for \$1 billion in state funding for economic development projects.

The Finger Lakes council's 19 general members include:

Constellation Brands Inc. CEO Robert Sands;
Complear Inc. President and CEO Christine Whitman;
Eastman Kodak Co. Vice President and Chief Diversity Officer Augustin Melendez;
Brunner International Corp. Vice President Bradley McDonald;
Liberty Pumps Inc. President and CEO Charles Cook;
Diamond Packaging Co. Inc. President and Co-Owner Kirsten Werner
TruForm Manufacturing Corp. President Tyrone Reaves;
Monroe Community College President Anne Kress;
Rochester Laborers Local 435 Business Manager Robert Brown;
Rochester Institute of Technology President William Destler;
Ibero American Action League President and CEO Hilda Rosario Escher;
Excell Partners Inc. CEO Theresa Mazzullo;
Reliant Community Federal Credit Union President and CEO Pamela Heald; Synergy LLC President and Owner John Noble;
Greater Rochester Enterprise Inc. President and CEO Mark Peterson;
Rochester Business Alliance Inc. President and CEO Sandra Parker;
Livingston County Chamber of Commerce President Cynthia Oswald;
Finger Lakes Economic Development Center CEO Steven Griffin; and
Standing Stone Vineyards President Thomas Macinski.

The elected officials are the Monroe county executive; the mayor of Rochester; the chair of the Genesee County Legislature; the chairs of the boards of supervisors in Wayne, Ontario, Livingston, Seneca and Wyoming counties; the legislative chair in Orleans and Yates counties; the Batavia City Council president; and the town of Arcadia supervisor.