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Broome County Clerk Mihalko Announces That E-Z Passes Are Now Available at the Broome County Clerk's Office

Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko today announced that E-Z Pass tags can be purchased locally through the E-Z Pass On-the-Go Program at the Broome County Clerk's Office.

The Broome County Clerk's Office, located in the Broome County Office Building at 60 Hawley Street in downtown Binghamton, will sell the E-Z Pass tags at a cost of \$25.00 per tag to members of the public. The customers can then conveniently set up their E-Z Pass accounts online with their credit card number. That \$25 is then credited to the customer's account. The office can accept cash, checks or credit cards to pay for E-Z Pass tags at the County Clerk's Office.

These E-Z Pass tags are <u>only for private, passenger vehicles</u>. Other types of vehicles, like motorcycles and commercial vehicles should contact the Thruway Authority directly at 1-800-333-8655.

"We are happy to offer yet another service to the public," said County Clerk Mihalko. "More local motorists can join the millions of New Yorkers who are already saving time and money while enjoying the many benefits of E-Z Pass. I want to encourage all of our local drivers to take advantage of the most convenient way to pay tolls and sign up for E-Z Pass."

"E-Z Pass is now used in 16 states in the Northeast and Midwest. New York State is moving to a cashless tolling system by the end of 2020, which means no more traditional toll booths. Instead, there will be large electronic overhangs that scan your E-Z Pass to charge the toll. Those who don't have E-Z Pass will get a bill mailed to them so they can pay the toll. Billed tolls will be higher than if paid with an E-Z Pass. This is the wave of the future for traveling on toll roads."

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