



Village of Groton

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March 28, 2023

New York Department of State
Divisions of Corporations
State Records and Uniform Commercial Code
One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave
Albany, NY 12231

RE: Local Law No. 3 of 2023

Dear Sir or Madam,

Enclosed for filing with the Department of State is a copy of Local Law No. 3 of 2023, adopted by the Board of Trustees on Monday, March 20, 2023

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Nancy Niswender
Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator
Village of Groton

Local Law Filing

(Use this form to file a local law with the Secretary of State.)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Groton

Local Law No. 3 of the year 2023

A local law Authorizing section 466-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law- A Property
(Insert Title)
Tax Exemption to Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Groton as follows:

See Attached.

(If additional space is needed, attach pages the same size as this sheet, and number each.)

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 3 of 2023 of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of Groton was duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Groton on March 20 2023, in accordance with the applicable ~~(Name of Legislative Body)~~ provisions of law.

2. ~~(Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*)~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ (Name of Legislative Body) on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ (Elective Chief Executive Officer*) and was deemed duly adopted on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~

3. ~~(Final adoption by referendum.)~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ (Name of Legislative Body) on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ (Elective Chief Executive Officer*) on _____ 20____.~~

~~Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~

4. ~~(Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ (Name of Legislative Body) on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ (Elective Chief Executive Officer*) on _____ 20____. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~

* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____ 20____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____ 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph one above.

Nancy Miswender
Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

Date: 3/28/2023

(Seal)

Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers Tax Exemption

§ 181-30 Title

This article shall be known as the "Village of Groton Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers Tax Exemption"

§ 181-31 Purpose and intent.

It is the intent of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Groton, County of Tompkins to provide a real property tax exemption to qualifying volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance workers as set forth in Real Property Tax Law §466-a.

Real Property Tax Law §466-a authorizes the Village Board of Trustees to adopt a local law providing a real property tax exemption of up to ten percent of the assessed value of real property owned by qualifying volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance workers.

Grant of Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers the Board of Trustees of the Village of Groton, County of Tompkins hereby provides a real property tax exemption of ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of real property for individuals that meet the following qualifications:

- A. Any enrolled member who has been certified by the Groton Fire Department as an enrolled member of the Groton Fire Department or Groton Volunteer Ambulance Service and has a minimum of two (2) years of service and the individual resides in the Village of Groton, and the property receiving the benefit is the primary residence of, and owned by, the individual and is given exclusively for residential purposes and any portion of the property not used for residential purposes shall be subject to taxation.
- B. Any member of the Groton Fire Department or Groton Volunteer Ambulance Service who has achieved over 20 years of accumulated service shall be considered a life member and the aforementioned exemption will continue for the remainder of their life so long as the property serves as their primary residence.
- C. Any un-remarried surviving spouse of an individual who has been certified by the Groton Fire Department as an enrolled member of the Groton Fire Department or Groton Volunteer Ambulance Service, who was killed in the line of duty upon being certified by the authority having jurisdiction of said, fire department or ambulance service that the individual is eligible for the exemption, and the individual has accumulated five (5) years of service provided that the un-remarried surviving spouse continues to own the primary residence within the Village of Groton.
- D. Any un-remarried surviving spouse of an individual who has been certified by the Groton Fire Department as an enrolled member of the Groton Fire Department or Groton Volunteer Ambulance service, who passed away and had accumulated twenty (20) years of service provided that the un-remarried surviving spouse continues to own the primary residence within the Village of Groton.

Ineligibility

No such tax exemption shall be granted until a member of the Groton Fire Department or Groton Volunteer Ambulance Service has been certified by the authority having jurisdiction of said fire department or ambulance service of having achieved a minimum of two (2) years of service.

Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgement shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

§ 181-32 Application for exemption.

Application for exemptions shall be made in accordance with subsection 3 of § 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, and any applicant convicted of making any false statement in the application for such exemption shall, in accordance with said subsection 3 of § 458-a, be subject to the penalties prescribed in the New York State Penal Law.

§ 181-33 Penalties for offenses.

Any conviction of having made any willful false statement in the application for such exemption shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$100 and shall disqualify the application or applicants from further exemption for a period of five years.

§ 181-34 Effective date

This local law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and shall be applicable for the 2024 assessment rolls.

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April 10, 2023

Nancy Niswender
Groton Village Clerk
143 E Cortland Street, PO Box 100
Groton NY 13073

RE: Village of Groton, Local Law 3 2023, filed on April 3 2023

Dear Sir/Madam:

The above referenced material was filed by this office as indicated. Additional local law filing forms can be obtained from our website, www.dos.ny.gov.

Sincerely,
State Records and Law Bureau
(518) 473-2492



**Department
of State**

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF TOMPKINS

SS:

Jim Bilinski of Hthaca,

NY, being duly sworn says that he is the publisher

of the Tompkins Independent weekly newspaper published in Hthaca, NY, and that the printed notice hereunto attached has been regular-

ly published in said newspaper once a week for one (1) weeks,

successively, commencing on the 29th day of March, 2023

and ending on the 29th day of March, 2023 the date of

the last publication thereof.

[Handwritten Signature]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

28th day of April, 2023
Christine J. Ibert

Notary Public



PUBLIC NOTICE
VILLAGE OF GROTON
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Groton, NY, duly adopted Local Law No. 3 of 2023 at their meeting held on Monday, March 20, 2023 after a Public Hearing was duly held. Local Law No. 3, adopting Chapter 181-30 to 181-33 "Village of Groton Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers Tax Exemption". The local law is available for review in its entirety at the Village Clerk's Office during usual business hours. Nancy Niswender Village Clerk
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