TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE

LOCAL LAW NO. 8 OF 2019 Adopted December 11, 2019

A LOCAL LAW to amend Chapter 27, Section 6 of the Code of the Town of North Castle, concerning disclosure forms.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of North Castle as follows:

Section 1. Section 27-6 of the Code of the Town of North Castle entitled "Disclosure of interest in legislation and other matters" is hereby amended as follows:

§ 27-6 Disclosure of interest in legislation and other matters.

- A. Whenever a matter requiring the exercise of discretion comes before a municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, and disposition of the matter could result in a direct or indirect financial or material benefit to himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest, the municipal officer or employee shall immediately disclose in writing, including by electronic means, the nature of the interest.
- B. No municipal officer shall, without prior disclosure, vote on any matter which materially and directly benefits a political supporter who, in the election just prior to when that matter came before the board, contributed more than \$500 to that board member's election campaign or gave that board member a contribution of goods or goods and services valued at more than \$500.
- C. The disclosure, including the nature of the interest, shall be made when the matter requiring disclosure first comes before the municipal officer or employee, or when the municipal officer or employee first acquires knowledge of the interest requiring disclosure, whichever is earlier.
- D. The disclosure shall be filed as follows:
 - (1) In the case of a person serving in an elective office, the disclosure shall be filed with the Town Board.
 - (2) In the case of a person serving on a municipal board, a copy of the disclosure shall be filed with the board. Any disclosure made to a board shall be made publicly at a meeting of the board and shall be included in the minutes of the meeting.
 - (3) In all other cases, the disclosure shall be filed with the person's supervisor or, if the person does not have a supervisor, the disclosure shall be filed with the municipal officer or employee or the board having the power to appoint to the person's position.
- E. Elected officials shall complete a Town of North Castle disclosure form upon election or appointment and thereafter on an annual basis.

Section 2. Ratification, Readoption and Confirmation

Except as specifically modified by the amendments contained herein, Chapter 27, Section 6 of the Code of the Town of North Castle are otherwise to remain in full force and effect and are otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

Section 3. Numbering for Codification

It is the intention of the Town of North Castle and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of North Castle; that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; that the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; that the word "Local Law" shall be changed to "Chapter," "Section" or other appropriate word as required for codification; and that any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code affected thereby.

Section 4. Severability

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their petition to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part hereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt there from.

Section 5. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.