

**TOWN OF VIRGIL
LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF 2026**

**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2023 TO DESIGNATE THE
CORTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF AS THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
FOR PURPOSES OF THE TOWN'S GAMES OF CHANCE LAW**

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Virgil as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Local Law is to amend Local Law No. 6 of 2023 to expressly designate the Cortland County Sheriff as the Chief Law Enforcement Officer responsible for enforcement and supervision under the Town of Virgil Games of Chance Law and Article 9-A of the New York State General Municipal Law and revise the applicable fees and license periods.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE 7 and ARTICLE 9

Article 7 of Local Law No. 6 of 2023, entitled “**Games of Chance Authorized,**” is hereby amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. GAMES OF CHANCE AUTHORIZED

Authorized organizations may, upon obtaining a license from the Town Clerk of the Town of Virgil, conduct games of chance within the Town of Virgil as authorized by and in accordance with Article 9-A of the General Municipal Law, the rules and regulations of the New York State Gaming Commission, and this Local Law.

The license fee for the conduct of games of chance shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each license period, as provided by Section 191 of the General Municipal Law. For games of chance other than bell jars and raffles, a separate license fee shall be required for each license period or occasion as provided by Article 9-A of the General Municipal Law.

For bell jars and raffles, the license period shall run from January 1 through December 31 of each calendar year, and all such licenses shall expire on December 31. A new application and license shall be required for each subsequent calendar year.

The Town shall remit to the New York State Comptroller fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of each twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) license fee collected for the conduct of games of chance, in the manner and within the time prescribed by Section 191 of the General Municipal Law.

All licenses issued pursuant to this Article shall be subject to the applicable duration, frequency, and other requirements of Article 9-A of the General Municipal Law.

Article 9 of Local Law No. 6 of 2023, entitled “**Enforcement,**” is hereby amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE 9. ENFORCEMENT

The Town Board shall exercise control over and supervision of all games of chance conducted under duly authorized license. Pursuant to Section 194 of the General Municipal Law, the Cortland County Sheriff is hereby designated as the Chief Law Enforcement Officer for purposes of this Local Law and Article 9-A of the General Municipal Law. The Cortland County Sheriff and duly authorized members of the Cortland County Sheriff's Office are authorized to enforce the provisions of this Local Law and shall exercise the powers and duties provided for under Section 194 of the General Municipal Law.

SECTION 3. CONTINUATION OF EXISTING LAW

Except as expressly amended herein, all provisions of Local Law No. 6 of 2023 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. NO REFERENDUM REQUIRED

Pursuant to Section 195-m of the General Municipal Law, this Local Law may be enacted by a two-thirds vote of the Town Board, and approval by the electors of the Town shall not be a condition precedent to it taking effect.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 195-m of the General Municipal Law, this Local Law shall not become effective and operative earlier than thirty (30) days following the date of its enactment.