



***Town of Bethel***  
Sullivan County, New York  
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**RESOLUTION OF TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL  
TO ENACT LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Bethel has determined that attracting and retaining quality firefighters and ambulance workers is a key component in providing for the safety and welfare of Town residents, but also presents a significant challenge throughout the Town and neighboring Towns; and

The Town Board has also determined "that real property tax exemptions are an appropriate way to recognize the sacrifice and dedication of volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers and are an appropriate tool to help recruit and retain these volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Legislature has provided for partial real property tax exemptions for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers pursuant to Section 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 27, 2023, the Town Board resolved to adopt Proposed Local Law #2-2023 pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a and set a public hearing date; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on October 11, 2023 at 7:45 PM at which time public comments on the Local Law were heard; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board received and reviewed all comments that were submitted.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby adopts Local Law #1 of 2023; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of the Local Law as enacted shall be filed with the Department of State; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Local Law #1 of 2023 shall become effective upon filing with the Department of State.

Motion by: Councilman Bernard Cohen

Seconded by: Councilman William Crumley

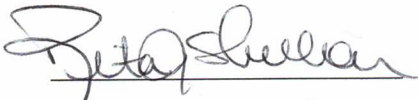
Duly adopted on October 11, 2023 upon a roll call vote 4 ayes and 0 nays as follows:

|                     | Aye    | Nay |
|---------------------|--------|-----|
| William Crumley     | X      |     |
| Bernard Cohen       | X      |     |
| Daniel Sturm        | X      |     |
| Victoria Simpson    | absent |     |
| Lillian Hendrickson | X      |     |

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Town of Bethel

This is to certify that I, Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel in the said County of Sullivan, have compared the foregoing copy of the Resolution to adopt Local Law #1 of 2023 adopted by the Town of Bethel Town Board on October 11, 2023 with the original now on file in this office, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original and the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.



Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk  
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