

RESOLUTION REGARDING OVERRIDE TO PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby enacts a local law establishing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law section §3-c as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Ardsley to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2014 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Ardsley, County of Westchester, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2014 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, 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.

Section 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State by the Village Clerk.

RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF STATE LEGISLATION TO IMPOSE A HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX-STATE SENATE BILL

WHEREAS, that Board of Trustees adopted a resolution on February 1, 2010 supporting the concept of the adoption of state legislation to impose a room “occupancy tax” on persons occupying any hotel or motel for hire in the Village; and

WHEREAS, the February 1, 2010 resolution supported such a room “occupancy tax” in all Villages in the Town of Greenburgh as well as the unincorporated portion of the Town of Greenburgh; and

WHEREAS, Senator Stewart-Cousins sponsored legislation in 2012 to permit, at local option, the imposition of a room “occupancy tax” for hotels and motels in the Town of Greenburgh, the six Villages in the Town and the Village of Sleepy Hollow; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the said legislation, the Board of Trustees adopted a Home Rule Request on February 6, 2012 and June 17, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Village has been made aware that there is new Hotel Occupancy Tax legislation that will be coming to the floor of the State for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Ardsley is supportive of the adoption of Hotel Occupancy Tax legislation; and

WHEREAS, since the Village does not have the authority to enact such legislation by local law, the Village must request that the State act on the matter through the adoption of a Home Rule Request; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Request states in the portion of the document marked “Explanation” the following:

During these difficult economic times, municipalities need additional non-property tax sources of revenue to fund basic services to keep their communities safe and properly serviced. This legislation will assist the Town of Greenburgh and its Villages and the Village of Sleepy Hollow in the Town of Mount Pleasant to fund necessary services. After discussions with the hospitality industry, the bill has been revised to require that the municipality levying the tax set aside one-sixth of the taxes collected to promote economic development and tourism within the respective municipality. This revenue will help promote economic development tourism’

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley does hereby adopt a Home Rule Request asking the state legislature to adopt State Senate Bill No. S5785 entitled “An Act to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing the Town of Greenburgh to adopt a local law to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax for hotels not located in a Village; authorizing specified Villages in the Town of Greenburgh and Mount Pleasant to adopt local laws to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax in such Villages.

**RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF STATE LEGISLATION TO
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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER SERVICE AWARD LIST FOR 2013

WHEREAS, in 1991 the Village of Ardsley established a Volunteer Fire Fighters Service Award Program, and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of a participating volunteer fire company to maintain all required records on forms prescribed by the governing board of Ardsley Village, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with General Municipal Law, Article 11-A, Service Award Programs, Section 219-a.2.d, Ardsley Engine Company No.1 has furnished the Village Board of Trustees a list, certified under oath, identifying those volunteer members who have qualified for credit under the award program for calendar year 2013, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has reviewed the list of Ardsley Engine Company No.1,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby approves the annual certification of the service award list for 2013 and that the approved list of certified members be returned to Ardsley Engine Company No.1 and posted for at least 30 days for review by the membership.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the list be forwarded to the firm of Hometown Associates, 5 Orville Drive – Suite 400, Bohemia, New York 11716, c/o Gene Heeter, Sr.

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE 2013-2014 VILLAGE BUDGET – SAYF COALITION

Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to modify the 2013-2014 Village Budget by establishing new appropriation line item 4210.485 SAYF Coalition by \$125,000 and by increasing Federal Aid revenue line item A4989 by \$125,000 to recognize monies expended by our SAYF Coalition Coordinator and the revenues to be received from a grant supporting the program