

## **LOCAL LAW # \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE YEAR 2014**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Town Board Of The Town Of Ossining, New York, as follows:

### **Section 1: Title**

This Local Law shall be known and cited as “Local Law # \_\_\_\_\_ of 2014, for the purpose of amending Chapter 180 of the Town Code, Taxation Law, regarding the Taxable Status date for the town of Ossining and adding an Article X to the Taxation Law.

### **Section 2: Legislative Intent**

The Town Board would like to improve the ability of the Assessor to correctly identify, on a timely basis, all exemptions which Town of Ossining property owners are entitled to on a yearly basis by adding certain provisions to Chapter 180 of the Ossining Town Code, providing for a change in the taxable status date in the Town of Ossining from June 1 to May 1 such change being authorized under section 383.141 of the Laws of The County of Westchester. This Local Law is determined to be an exercise of the legislative powers of the Town to promote the welfare of residents and to alleviate timing difficulties on the part of the Assessor in processing exemption applications.

### **Section 3: Chapter 180 of the Laws of the Town of Ossining “Taxation” Shall be Amended by Adding an Article X which will read as follows:**

“A. Under section 283.141 (1) of the Laws of The County of Westchester County, the taxable status date for towns in Westchester county is June 1 of each year. By Local Law No. 3 of 2008, the County of Westchester amended section 283.141 to allow a town to elect May 1 of each year to be its taxable status date.

B. The Town Board finds it to be in the public interest and does hereby elect May 1 of each year as the Town’s taxable status date in order to alleviate timing difficulties on the part of the Assessor in accepting and processing exemption

applications in order to meet the annual deadline for publishing the tentative assessment roll. ”

#### **Section 4: Ratification, Re-adoption and Confirmation**

Except as specifically modified by the amendments contained herein, the Code of the Town of Ossining, as adopted and amended from time to time thereafter is otherwise to remain in full force and effect and is otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

#### **Section 5: Inclusion in The Code**

It is the intention of the Ossining Town Board and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of Ossining; and that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be renumbered or read letter to or accomplish such intention; and that the word “local law” shall be changed to “chapter”, “section” or other appropriate word, as required for codification.

#### **Section 6: Renumbering**

The location and numerical designation of this Local Law and the sections included here in shall be delegated to the discretion of the codifier, General Code, which may renumber this Local Law and sections as are necessary to accommodate these amendments.

#### **Section 7: Codification**

This Local Law shall be incorporated into the Code of the Town of Ossining and shall be assigned a chapter number and appropriate section number by the codifier, General Code, in accordance with the numbering system of the Code.

#### **Section 9: Codifier’s Changes**

This Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of Ossining. The codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law, but may renumber, rearrange and edit it without first submitting it to the Ossining Town Board. Any

such rearranging, renumbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law of the provisions of the code affected thereby.

#### **Section 9: Codifier's Changes**

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 therefrom.

#### **Section 10: Effective Date**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon adoption and filing with the Sec. of State as provided by the Municipal Home Rule Law.