LOCAL LAW NUMBER 6 - 2022 COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS, NEW YORK

Pursuant to Sections 10(1)(ii)(a)(13) and 23 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

A LOCAL LAW IN RELATION TO THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS, REDUCING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY LEGISLATORS FROM 17 TO 15, AMENDING LOCAL LAW NUMBER 6-1968 (INTRO NUMBER 11-1968) ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A COUNTY LEGISLATURE FOR CATTARAUGUS COUNTY AS REQUIRED BY ORDER OF THE NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT" AND REPEALING LOCAL LAW NUMBER 6-2011 (INTRO NUMBER 6-2011)

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Cattaraugus as follows:

SECTION 1. Legislative Intent. It is the intent of this Local Law to amend Local Law Number 6-1968 (Intro Number 11-1968), entitled "A Local Law Establishing a County Legislature for Cattaraugus County as required by Order of the New York State Supreme Court", adopted August 14, 1968 by the Cattaraugus County Board of Supervisors and to repeal Local Law Number 6-2011 (Intro Number 6-2011).

SECTION 2. Amendment of Local Law Number 6-1968. Effective for the general election in November 2023, for terms to commence January 1, 2024 and thereafter, Local Law Number 6-1968 (Intro Number 11-1968), is hereby amended by deleting Section 2 thereof and replacing such section with the following: "SECTION 2. Legislative Districts. For the purpose of electing County Legislators, Cattaraugus County shall be divided into five (5) districts, described as follows and further described on the map annexed hereto, each of which shall be represented by the number of legislators set forth herein:

D: .			Number of	Population	Deviation %
<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Legislators</u>	Per Legislator	Per District
1	Towns of Dayton, Leon, New Albion, Otto, Perrysburg and Persia; Villages of Cattaraugus, Gowanda and South Dayton; and the Cattaraugus Reservation	9,915	2	4,957.5	-3.48%
2	Ellicottville (Town and Village); Franklinville (Town and Village); Towns of Ashford, East Otto, Farmersville, Freedom, Great Valley, Ischua, Lyndon, Machias and Yorkshire; Village of Delevan; and the Oil Springs Reservation	20,192	4	5,048	-1.72%
3	Little Valley (Town and Village); Salamanca (Town and City); and Towns of	14,986	3	4,995.33	-2.74%

	Conewango, Mansfield, Napoli, Randolph and South Valley				
4	Allegany (Town and Village); and Towns of Carrollton, Coldspring, Humphrey and Red House	10,514	2	5,257	2.35%
5	Olean (Town and City); Portville (Town and Village); and Town of Hinsdale	21,435	4	5,358.75	4.33%

SECTION 3. Legislative Districts Continued. The eight (8) legislative districts as previously bounded and described by Local Law Number 6-2011 (Intro Number 6-2011) shall continue in existence for the limited purpose of continuing the legislators in office presently elected for the term ending December 31, 2023, from such districts, as well as any legislators appointed to fill vacancies as defined in Section 30 of the Public Officers' Law in such districts and/or elected to fill the unexpired terms of legislators in such districts, and shall cease to exist as such at the time all of the terms and provisions of this local law become effective.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> Construction. This local law shall be liberally construed to achieve its objectives and purposes. If the districts described herein do not carry out the purposes hereof because of unintentional omissions, duplications, overlapping areas, erroneous nomenclature, lack of adequate maps or descriptions or descriptions of political subdivisions, wards, or other divisions thereof, or changes of public places, alteration of the boundary or courses of waters or waterways, accretion or other changes in shorelines, the County Clerk, at the request of any person or candidate aggrieved thereby, shall, by order, correct such omissions, overlaps, erroneous nomenclature or other defects in the description of districts so as to accomplish the purposes and objectives of this local law.

SECTION 5. Repeal of Local Law Number 6-2011 (Intro Number 6-2011). Local Law Number 6-2011 (Intro Number 6-2011) is hereby repealed, effective at the time set forth in Section 3, supra.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> Local Law No. 6-1968. All other provisions of Local Law Number 6-1968 (Intro Number 11-1968) not otherwise amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

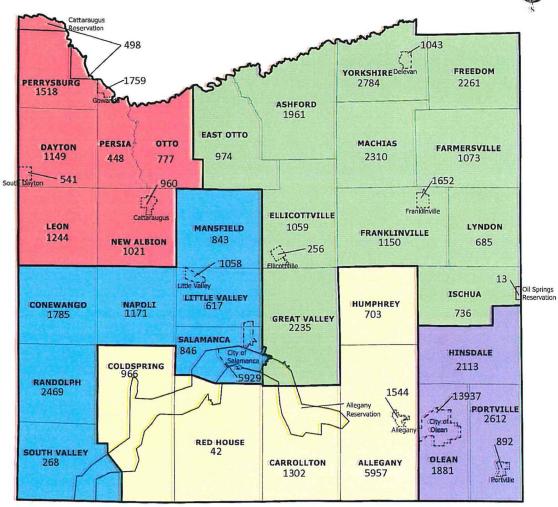
<u>SECTION 7.</u> <u>Severability.</u> If any provision of this local law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the particular provision directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> Effective Date. This local law shall take effect only after it has been approved by the affirmative vote of the majority of the qualified electors of Cattaraugus County voting on a proposition for its approval submitted at a general election to be held November 8, 2022, in the County of Cattaraugus.

Cattaraugus County Population 2020 Estimate







<u>Population</u>	Legislators per District
9915	(2)
20192	(4)
14986	(3)
10514	(2)
21435	(4)
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STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS)

I, John R. Searles, Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Cattaraugus, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing resolution with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Legislature at a meeting of said Legislature on the 27th day of July, 2022, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such resolution and of the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this 1st day of August, 2022.

Clerk, Cattaraugus County Legislature