TOWN OF COPAKE RESOLUTION Number 19 of May 11, 2023

A Resolution Relating to the Town of Copake's Acceptance from Columbia County of Certain Land Within the County Right of Way of County Route 7A in the Town of Copake

WHEREAS, the proposed reconstruction of County Route 7A within the hamlet of Copake includes a significant change in the geometry of the intersection of County Route 7A and Main Street, and

WHEREAS, the change in geometry includes the relocation of the existing Memorial Clock and eliminating the circular island in which the clock is located, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, has determined that "the small circular island on which the clock is located is a historic feature of the resource", and

WHEREAS, the project includes the creation of a new green space located within the existing County Right of Way at the intersection of County Route 7a and Main Street where the Memorial Clock is to be relocated to, and

WHEREAS, the newly created green space will allow for the creation of a pocket park for the enjoyment of both residents and visitors to the Town, and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2023, the Board of Supervisors of Columbia County voted to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute an Agreement to convey the land within the County right of way to the Town of Copake, and

WHEREAS, upon a transfer of the subject land to the Town of Copake, the Town will own and be able to maintain the green space, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Copake intends to accept the conveyance of such land, and upon acceptance, to dedicate the park to honor men and women from the Town of Copake who are veterans of the United States Military, some of whom made the ultimate sacrifice but all of whom served our country, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Cadby-Shutts VFW Post 7552 have publicly supported the repositioning of the Clock and the creation of a park which "will help make the monument more accessible to residents, allowing room for visitors to view the memorial and the names of those remembered"; now, therefore,

It is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor is authorized to negotiate an Agreement in furtherance of taking title to said lands in the name of the Town of Copake; and

It is hereby further **RESOLVED**, that upon Town Board action authorizing entry into such an Agreement, the Supervisor shall be authorized to execute same and to execute such other,

further and different documents and instruments in furtherance of such Agreement and in furtherance of the Town of Copake accepting such land from Columbia County.

Roll Call Vote The foregoing Resolution, offered as amended by Supervisor Mettler and seconded by Councilperson Wolf, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows:

Resolution #19 Dated May 11, 2023 Copake, New York Roll Call Vote.

Supervisor Mettler

yes

Councilperson Wolf

yes

Councilperson Gansowski Councilperson Judd

yes yes

Councilperson Sullivan

yes

(seal)

May 11, 2023