TOWN OF COPAKE
RESOLUTION

No. 28 of October 21, 2026

A Resolution Reaffirming the Authorization of the Application to the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program for a Grant to Support the Establishment of a Community Preservation Fund

WHEREAS, Chapter 524 of the Laws of 2025, signed into law by Governor Hochul on November 21, 2025, authorizes the establishment of a Community Preservation Fund by the Copake Town Board to implement a plan for the preservation of community character by acquiring interests or rights in real property, and further authorizes the Town Board to impose a real estate transfer tax to purchase interests or rights in real property to preserve community character, and

WHEREAS, Chapter 524 of the Laws of 2025 delineates preservation of community character as including, but not limited to, preservation of: open space; predominantly viable agricultural land; lands of exceptional scenic value; freshwater marshes or other wetlands; forested land; and, historic places and properties listed on the New York State register of historic places, and

WHEREAS, the Copake Town Board wishes to establish a Community Preservation Plan for the preservation of community character by acquiring interests or rights in real property, and otherwise undertake efforts to preserve Copake's community character, and

WHEREAS, a grant from the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program would facilitate the creation of a Community Preservation Plan for the Town of Copake, and

WHEREAS, the Copake Town Board adopted Resolution No. 9 of April 9, 2026, authorizing the preparation and submission of an application to the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program for a grant to facilitate the establishment of a Community Preservation Plan for the Town of Copake, now, therefore

It is hereby **RESOLVED** that the Copake Town Board authorizes and reaffirms preparation and submission of such application to the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program for a grant to facilitate the establishment of a Community Preservation Plan for the Town of Copake.

Roll Call Vote: The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilperson Morningstar, and seconded by Councilperson Gabaccia, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows:

Resolution No. 28
Dated: October 21, 2026
Copake, New York

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Wolf	yes
Councilperson Gansowski	yes
Councilperson Gabaccia	yes
Councilperson Haight	yes
Councilperson Morningstar	yes

Lynn M. DeRocha, Town Clerk

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