

LOCAL LAW NO. 10-02
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO MAKE
APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF
CHAUTAUQUA AS AN EMPIRE ZONE

WHEREAS, Section 961 of Article 18-B of the general Municipal Law has authorized application by counties for designation as an Empire Zone within the meaning of said statute; and

WHEREAS, such designation could greatly benefit the County of Chautauqua in that new businesses would be encouraged to locate in the zone area, existing businesses would be encouraged to expand in the zone area, and new and expanded businesses would generate new jobs for Chautauqua County residents; now therefore

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Chautauqua as follows:

SECTION 1. The Chautauqua County Executive is hereby authorized and empowered to submit an application for designation of certain areas within the County of Chautauqua as an Empire Zone; provided, however, that such authorization and application of the governing bodies of any and all cities, towns, and villages in which such zone is located.

SECTION 2. The boundaries of said areas to be included in said Empire Zone shall be as set forth in Schedule A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to requirements of Section 963 of the General Municipal Law, the Chautauqua County Director of Planning shall serve as the Local Empire Zone Certification Officer in the Chautauqua County Empire Zone, and shall perform the following duty, to wit: certify, jointly with the New York State Commissioner of Economic Development and the New York State Commissioner of Labor, those business enterprises that are eligible to receive benefits referred to in Section 966 of the General Municipal Law, and any other applicable statutes.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to Article 18-B of the General Municipal Law, a Local Empire Zone Administrative Board is hereby established to consist of not less than six (6) members. All appointments to the Board shall be made by the Chautauqua County Executive subject to approval of the Chautauqua County Legislature. The members shall not include the Local Empire Zone Certification Officer, and shall include a representative of local business, organized labor, financial institutions, local educational institutions, community organizations, and at least one resident of the Empire Zone. The Chairperson of the Board shall be the Director of Economic Development. The Local Empire Zone Administrative Board shall perform all duties required of its pursuant to Section 963 (b) of the General Municipal Law.

SECTION 5. This Local Law shall take effective upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State as provided by Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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