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LOCAL LAW NO. 10 - 2005

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR REDESIGNATION OF CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA AS AN EMPIRE ZONE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Purpose.

By Local Law No. 6-1997 this Legislature authorized The County of Onondaga to prepare and submit an application for designation of an Empire Zone (then known as an Economic Development Zone), pursuant to Section 961(a) of the General Municipal Law, and the creation of such Zone was approved by the New York State Commissioner of Economic Development and such Zone was formally designated by the Empire Zones Designation Board on June 3, 1998.

The New York State Legislature and the Governor have enacted into law changes to the Empire Zones program, whereby each existing Empire Zone must configure its existing zone acreage into not more than six "distinct and separate contiguous areas".

Pursuant to Section 957(d)(1) of the General Municipal Law, as amended, the County of Onondaga Zone Administrative Board is authorized to prepare and submit Onondaga County's application for redesignation of the existing Empire Zone into six "distinct and separate contiguous areas", including a description of the areas identified for such redesignation, to the New York State Commissioner of Economic Development for ultimate approval by the Empire Zones Designation Board.

Section 2. Onondaga County is hereby authorized and empowered to submit an application for redesignation of certain areas within Onondaga County as an Empire Zone; provided, however, that such authorization and empowerment shall be conditioned upon the concurrence, through properly adopted resolutions with respect to such application of the governing bodies of any and all cities, towns and villages in which such zone is located.

Section 3. 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 make a part hereof.

Section 4. Pursuant to requirements of Section 963 of the General Municipal Law, the Deputy County Executive shall continue to serve as the Local Empire Zone Certification Officer of the Onondaga County Empire Zone, and shall, pursuant to the regulations promulgated pursuant to Article 18-B of the General Municipal Law, 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 those benefits referred to in Section 966 of the General Municipal Law, and any other applicable statutes.

Section 5. Pursuant to Article 18-B of the General Municipal Law, the Local Empire Zone Administrative Board as presently constituted is hereby continued. The Local Empire Zone Administrative Board, pursuant to Section 963(a) of the General Municipal Law, as amended, shall approve for certification by the Zone Certification Officer, the New York State Commissioner of Economic Development, and the New York State Commissioner of Labor, the applications of those businesses eligible for certification to receive the benefits referred to in Section 966 of the General

Municipal Law, and shall perform all other duties required of it pursuant to Section 963(b) of the General Municipal Law.

Section 6. This Local Law shall take effect 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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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE 20th DAY OF December, 2005.

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