

**TOWN OF CLINTON TOWN BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 11 OF 2025**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NYS
LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CLINTON TO ENACT LOCAL
LEGISLATION IMPOSING AN
OCCUPANCY TAX WITHIN THE TOWN OF CLINTON**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has been impacted in recent years with properties that have been converted to, or utilized as, Hotels, Motels, Conference Centers, Bed-and-Breakfast Establishments and Agricultural Event Venues, as those uses are defined in the Town of Clinton Code; and

WHEREAS, the Town has experienced an increase in tourism uses, which aids local businesses and the economy, but such increase in uses also have associated costs to public services and municipal services, such as roads, fire, emergency medical services and infrastructure which are not supported by such uses in the nature of traditional tourism business and traditional businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton would like to enact an Occupancy Tax similar to those enacted by many New York State municipalities by having the New York State Legislature authorize the Town of Clinton to impose an Occupancy Tax of no greater than 3% on Hotels, Motels, Conference Centers, Bed-and-Breakfast Establishments and Agricultural Event Venues utilized for stays of 30 days or less effective at the earliest possible date; and

WHEREAS, implementing an Occupancy Tax would have numerous benefits for the Town of Clinton and its residents by providing a much-needed source of revenue that could be used to support local infrastructure projects, tourism promotion efforts and community development initiatives. By taxing visitors who stay in our Hotels, Motels, Conference Centers, Bed-and-Breakfast Establishments and Agricultural Event Venues, the Town of Clinton can generate funds that will help improve our roads, parks, and public services without placing an additional burden on local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Town Board believes that implementing an Occupancy Tax is a wise decision that will have a positive impact on the Town of Clinton and urges the New York State Legislature, Senate and Assembly, to support approving an Occupancy Tax and to advocate for its passage to ensure the long-term prosperity and vitality of our Town; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II Action under SEQRA regulations for which a coordinated environmental review is not required;

Now On Motion of Deputy Supervisor Werner, duly seconded by Councilwoman Auspitz,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Town Board hereby requests that the Legislature of the State of New York enact appropriate legislation to authorize the Town of Clinton to enact local legislation imposing an Occupancy Tax of no greater than 3% on Hotels, Motels, Conference Centers, Bed-and-Breakfast Establishments and Agricultural Event Venues within the Town of Clinton; and

Be It Further Resolved, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Dutchess County Attorney, Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance, Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Michelle Hinchey and Assemblywoman Didi Barrett so that those Legislators can properly sponsor the appropriate legislation which will make the granting of the Resolution herein possible.

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmen voting as follows:

Supervisor Michael Whitton	VOTING <u>AYE</u>
Councilman Eliot Werner	VOTING <u>AYE</u>
Councilman Charles Dykas	VOTING <u>AYE</u>
Councilwoman Katherine Mustello	VOTING <u>AYE</u>
Councilwoman Marion Auspitz	VOTING <u>AYE</u>

DATED: Clinton, New York
February 10, 2026



Carol -Jean Mackin, Town Clerk