

TOWN OF CLINTON TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 19 OF 2026

ADOPTING A HOME RULE REQUEST FOR THE ENACTMENT BY THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OR A.10522/S.9374, A SPECIAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CLINTON TO IMPOSE AN OCCUPANCY TAX

WHEREAS, Article IX of the New York State Constitution and Section 40 of the Municipal Home Rule Law provide for the enactment of special laws by the New York State Legislature through a Home Rule Request from a municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has been impacted in recent years with properties that have been converted to, or utilized as, Hotels, Motels, Short-Term Rentals, 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, Short-Term Rentals, 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, Short-Term Rentals, 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, Assembly Bill A.10522 and Senate Bill A.9374 have been introduced in the New York State Legislature in the year 2026 by Assemblymember Didi Barrett and Senator Michelle Hinchey respectively, to authorize the Town to enact said tax, in response to the Town Board's request and the financial needs of the Town; and

WHEREAS, further State legislative processing and consideration of Assembly Bill A.10522 and Senate Bill A.9374 require a Home Rule Request Message on forms specified by the New York

State Assembly and Senate respectively, executed and authorized subsequent to the introduction of the bill in those Houses; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Town Board desires that the New York State Legislature continue its consideration of Assembly Bill A.10522 and Senate Bill A.9374;

Now On Motion of Supervisor Whitton, duly seconded by Deputy Supervisor Werner,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Clinton, New York hereby respectfully makes a Home Rule Request pursuant to the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law the New York State Legislature enact Assembly Bill A.10522 and Senate Bill A.9374, a special law authorizing the Town of Clinton to enact an occupancy tax in the Town of Clinton, and hereby approves, adopts, and issues this Home Rule Request Message to the New York State Legislature with respect to the passage of said Assembly Bill A.10522 and Senate Bill A.9374; and

Be It Further Resolved, the Supervisor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and certifications necessary to communicate this resolution and Home Rule Request Message to the New York State Legislature including any forms for such transmittal provided by the New York State Assembly and Senate.

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

Supervisor Michael Whitton	VOTING	AYE
Councilman Eliot Werner	VOTING	AYE
Councilman Katherine Mustello	VOTING	AYE
Councilman Charles Dykas	VOTING	ABSENT
Councilwoman Marion Auspitz	VOTING	AYE

DATED: Clinton, New York
April 23, 2026



Carol – Jean Mackin, Town Clerk