

**LOCAL LAW NO.: \_\_ OF 2026**

**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 160 OF THE TOWN OF HAGUE TOWN CODE  
TO ADDRESS THE TREATMENT OF GUEST COTTAGES, ACCESSORY  
STRUCTURES AND TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO SHORT TERM RENTALS**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE HAGUE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 160-10(A) of the Hague Zoning Law is hereby amended to replace the current definition of “Guest Cottage” with the following:

GUEST COTTAGE – A structure which is accessory to a primary single-family dwelling and which adheres to the following limitations:

- 1) is used only on an occasional basis;
- 2) is used only by guests of the resident(s) of the primary single-family dwelling;
- 3) is not for rent or lease separately from the primary single-family dwelling;
- 4) is not greater in size than one-half the enclosed floor space of the primary single-family dwelling;
- 5) is not greater in size than 2,000 square feet of floor space; and
- 6) is the only such Guest Cottage per lot.

**SECTION 2.** Section 160-10(A) of the Hague Zoning Law is hereby amended to include a new definition of “Short Term Rental” as follows:

SHORT TERM RENTAL – The renting for habitation of a structure for less than 30 consecutive days during any calendar year.

**SECTION 3.** Section 160-10(A) of the Hague Zoning Law is hereby amended to replace the current definition of “Accessory Structure” with the following:

ACCESSORY STRUCTURE – Any structure, or a portion of a main structure, customarily incidental and subordinate to and does not change the character of a principal land use or development. Except in the case of a “Guest Cottage” as defined

below, living accommodations and associated plumbing shall not be allowed in an accessory structure.

**SECTION 4.** The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph or provision of this Local Law shall not invalidate any other clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof.

**SECTION 5.** All Local Laws or ordinances or parts of Local Laws or ordinances in conflict with any part of this Local Law are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6.** This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing by the Office of the New York Secretary of State as provided in New York Municipal Home Rule Law §27.

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