

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Local Laws or ordinances or parts of Local Laws or ordinances in conflict with any part of this Local Law are hereby repealed.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