RE: County of Steuben, Local Law No. 5, 2008, filed on August 8, 2008

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Local Law No. FIVE of the year 2008

A local law GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION TO HISTORIC REAL PROPERTY (ALTERED OR REHABILITATED).

Be it enacted by the LEGISLATURE of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

☐ County
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SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

It is the intent of this Local Law to grant historic property exemption from taxation to the extent authorized by Real Property Tax Law §444-a.

SECTION 2. HISTORIC PROPERTY EXEMPTION.

Real property altered or rehabilitated subsequent to the effective date of this local law shall be exempt from taxation and special ad valorem levies as herein provided. A copy of this law shall be filed with the state board and the assessor of such county, city, town or village who prepares the assessment roll on which the taxes of such county are levied.

SECTION 3. PERCENT OF EXEMPTION.

(a) Historic property shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of any increase in value attributable to such alteration or rehabilitation pursuant to the following schedule:

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(b) No such exemption shall be granted for such alterations or rehabilitation unless:

(i) Such property has been designated as a landmark, or is a property that contributes to the character of an historic district, created by a local law passed pursuant to §96-a or 119-dd of the General Municipal Law;

(ii) Alterations or rehabilitation must be made for means of historic preservation;

(iii) Such alterations or rehabilitation of historic property meet guidelines and review standards in the local preservation law;

(iv) Such alterations or rehabilitation of historic property are approved by the local preservation commission prior to commencement of work;

(v) Alterations or rehabilitation are commenced subsequent to the effective date of the local law or resolution adopted pursuant to this section.

SECTION 4. APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION.

Such exemption shall be granted only by application of the owner or owners of such historic real property on a form prescribed by the state board. The application shall be filed with the assessor of the county, city, town or village having power to assess property for taxation on or before the appropriate taxable status date of such county, city, town or village.

SECTION 5. GRANTING OF EXEMPTION.

Such exemption shall be granted where the assessor is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to an exemption pursuant to this section. The assessor shall approve such application and such property shall thereafter be exempt from taxation and special ad valorem levies as herein provided commencing with the assessment roll prepared on the basis of the taxable status date referred to in subdivision three of this section. The assessed value of any exemption granted pursuant to this section shall be entered by the assessor on the assessment roll with the taxable property, with the amount of the exemption shown in a separate column.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law is effective immediately upon passage.
(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ___________________________ of 20 ____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of ___________________________________________________________ was duly passed by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ___________________________ of 20 ____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of ___________________________________________________________ was duly passed by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the ___________________________ and was deemed duly adopted on _____________ 20 ____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ___________________________ of 20 ____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of ___________________________________________________________ was duly passed by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____. Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general) (special)(annual) election held on _____________ 20 ____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ___________________________ of 20 ____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of ___________________________________________________________ was duly passed by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the ___________________________ on _____________ 20 ____. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____________ 20 ____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.
5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ______________ of 20 ____ of the City of ______________ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on ______________ 20 ____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. ______________ of 20 ____ of the County of ______________ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November ______________ 20 ____ pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)
I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph __________ above.

[Signature]
Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body
Date: ______________

(Seal)

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF STEUBEN

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing local law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.

[Signature]
COUNTY ATTORNEY
Title

County
STEUBEN

Date: ______________

August 5, 2008