### Town of Eden

### Proposed Local Law No.\_\_-2022

A local law allowing for the insertion of informational enclosures of public concern with Town Tax bills.

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Eden, Erie County, New York, as follows:

#### Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

Section 1826 of the Tax Law of New York State forbids a municipality from mailing or delivering with tax bills any notices, circulars, pamphlets, cards, or similar printed materials unless the municipality has passed local legislation pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Sections 10 and 22 allowing for that practice and so long as neither the legislation nor the practice provide for the dissemination of political or propaganda materials. The purpose of this local law is to authorize the Town Board, by unanimous resolution, to allow the Town Clerk to enclose with the tax bills certain notices or other enclosures allowed by law concerning matters of public interest, but excluding enclosures of a political nature, entailing propaganda, or advertisements.

# Section 2. ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW SUPERSEDING SECTION 1826 OF THE TAX LAW AUTHORIZING INFORMATIONAL ENCLOSURES WITH TAX BILLS

Pursuant to authority granted by Municipal Home Rule Law Sections 10 and 22, this local law is adopted authorizing the Eden Town Board, by resolution unanimously adopted, to instruct the Town Clerk to enclose notices, circulars, pamphlets, cards, handbills or other enclosures allowed by law concerning matters of public concern, subject to the following:

- A. Such enclosures shall exclude any and all matter of political nature, entailing propaganda or any type of advertisement.
- B. Each enclosure shall be approved by a separate unanimous resolution of the Town Board.
- C. Said enclosures shall be included in the County/Town tax bills only.

# Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.