Pro-Housing Communities Resolution

RESOLUTION No: 10 of 2025

Councilmember Steven ADDISON moved and Councilmember RON SCOUTEN seconded that

WHEREAS, the Town of Forestport believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State's economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Town of Forestport, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

- 1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
- 2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
- 3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.

4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.

5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

I, Tracy M. Terry, Town Clerk of the Town of Forestport do hereby certify that the aforementioned resolution was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Forestport on August 20, 2025, by the following vote:

| | Aye | Nay | Absent |
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| Harold Entwistle | X | | |
| Steven Addison | X | | |
| Danielle Abrial | | | |
| Glenyce Verschneider | X | | |
| Ronald Scouten | X | | |

STATE OF NEW YORK ONEIDA COUNTY

This is to certify that I, Tracy M. Terry Town Clerk of the Town of Forestport, in Oneida County, have compared the foregoing copy of the Resolution #9 of 2025- **Pro-Housing Communities Resolution**

With the original now on file in this office, and the same is correct and the true transcript of such originals and the whole thereof.

In witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town this <u>20</u> day of August 2025.

SEAL

Forestport Town Clerk- Oneida County