

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 41 OF 2023

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISORS BRAYMER AND RUNYON

**INTRODUCING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2023, ENTITLED
“A LOCAL LAW AMENDING AND UPDATING SECTION 4 OF LOCAL LAW NO. 9 OF
2021, ‘A LOCAL LAW REAPPORTIONING THE WEIGHTED VOTE OF THE
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMONGST TWENTY (20) MEMBERS’”**

WHEREAS, the City of Glens Falls enacted Local Law 5 of 2022 to schedule the public referendum for election day, November 8, 2022 to obtain public approval for an amendment to the City Charter to re-draw the five boundary divisions of the City of Glens Falls, and

WHEREAS, the public referendum held November 8, 2022 approved the amendment to the City of Glens Falls Charter, and Local Law 5 of 2022, which was filed with the New York State Department of State on November 16, 2022, and published on January 12, 2023, with a effective date of January 1, 2023, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2023 entitled “A Local Law Amending and Updating Section 4 of Local Law No. 9 of 2021, ‘*A Local Law Reapportioning the Weighted Vote of the Warren County Board of Supervisors Amongst Twenty (20) Members,*’” attached hereto and made a part hereof, be, and the same hereby is, introduced before the Warren County Board of Supervisors, and in order to give interested members of the public the opportunity to be heard thereon, the Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing in the Supervisors’ Room in the Warren County Municipal Center on the 3rd day of February, 2023, at 11:00 a.m., on the matter of the adoption of said proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2023, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors be, and the same hereby is, authorized and directed to give notice of such public hearing in the manner provided by law.

**COUNTY OF WARREN
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2023**

“A LOCAL LAW AMENDING AND UPDATING SECTION 4 OF LOCAL LAW NO. 9 OF 2021, ‘A LOCAL LAW REAPPORTIONING THE WEIGHTED VOTE OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMONGST TWENTY (20) MEMBERS’”

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. On and after the first day of January, 2022, the local legislative body of the County of Warren shall continue to be known and designated as the Board of Supervisors, but the election of the members thereof and their respective votes as such members thereof shall, on and after the first day of January, 2022, be determined and fixed in accordance with the provisions of this Local Law to accomplish the reapportionment of the local legislative body of the County of Warren in accordance with the 2020 Federal Census and the members thereof shall be designated as County Supervisors.

SECTION 2. The number and apportionment of the members of the Board of Supervisors shall be determined by the 2020 Federal Census. Until the 2030 Federal Decennial Census, unless an official County census is made before 2030, each town and city ward in the County of Warren shall be entitled to at least one (1) County Supervisor. Each town and city ward shall be entitled to one (1) additional County Supervisor for each 5,835 population as determined by the 2020 Federal Census.

SECTION 3. Based on the 2020 Federal Census of the County of Warren, on and after the first day of January, 2022, there shall be twenty (20) members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren apportioned as follows:

Town of Bolton	1
Town of Chester	1
Town of Hague	1
Town of Horicon	1
Town of Johnsburg	1
Town of Lake George	1
Town of Lake Luzerne	1
Town of Queensbury	5
Town of Stony Creek	1
Town of Thurman	1
Town of Warrensburg	1
City of Glens Falls:	
First Ward	1
Second Ward	1
Third Ward	1
Fourth Ward	1
Fifth Ward	1

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Such Supervisors shall be elected at the general election of 2021 and shall hold office for terms of two (2) years commencing on the first day of January following such election unless a municipality shall have elected as provided under State Law for its supervisor to hold a four (4) year term in which case the county supervisor shall hold office for a four (4) year term. In all towns having one (1) County Supervisor, the County Supervisor shall be the Town Supervisor. In towns having more than one (1) County Supervisor, the Town Supervisor shall be one (1) County Supervisor and the remaining County Supervisors shall be elected at large in the town. A vacancy in the Office of County Supervisor in a town, other than the Town Supervisor, shall be filled by a majority of the votes of the members of the town board. In a city ward having more than one (1) County Supervisor, all County Supervisors shall be elected at large in the ward. A vacancy in the Office of the County Supervisor in a city ward shall be filled by a majority vote of the common council of the city.

SECTION 4. On and after the first day of March, 2023, and continuing until the next Decennial Federal Census, unless an official County census shall be made sooner, each town and ward shall be entitled to the following number of votes on any resolution, local law, motion or proposal to be voted on by the Board of Supervisors, to wit:

Town of Bolton	31
Town of Chester	47
Town of Hague	10
Town of Horicon	22
Town of Johnsburg	33
Town of Lake George	53
Town of Lake Luzerne	47
Town of Queensbury:	
Town Supervisor	89
County Supervisor	89
County Supervisor	89
County Supervisor	89
County Supervisor	89
Town of Stony Creek	12
Town of Thurman	17
Town of Warrensburg	60
City of Glens Falls:	
First Ward	45
Second Ward	45
Third Ward	45
Fourth Ward	45
Fifth Ward	45

A total of 502 affirmative votes shall be required for the adoption of any resolution, local law, motion or proposal requiring a majority vote and a total of 668 affirmative votes shall be required for the adoption

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of any resolution requiring a two-thirds vote. On any committee of the Board of Supervisors, each County Supervisor shall have one (1) vote.

SECTION 5. This Local Law shall not repeal Local Law No. 9 of 2021 and only amends that portion of Section 4, as noted.

SECTION 6. If any section, subdivision, paragraph, subparagraph, clause, term, or part thereof is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion and such shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

SECTION 7. This Local Law is adopted pursuant to Section 10, Subdivision 1, paragraph a(13) of the Municipal Home Rule Law and is subject to permissive referendum and shall become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State as provided by Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York and publication in the official newspapers of the County of Warren.