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Intro. Res. No. 1704-2011

Laid on Table 8/2/2011

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive

**RESOLUTION NO. -2011, ADOPTING LOCAL LAW
NO. -2011, A LOCAL LAW TO PROHIBIT ELECTED
OFFICIALS FROM PUBLISHING OR ALLOWING THE
PUBLICATION OF THEIR NAMES IN ADVERTISEMENTS FOR
ANY COUNTY FUNDED OR SPONSORED PROGRAM OR
EVENT**

WHEREAS, there was duly presented and introduced to this County Legislature at a meeting held on _____, 2011, a proposed Local Law entitled, "**A LOCAL LAW TO PROHIBIT ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM PUBLISHING OR ALLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THEIR NAMES IN ADVERTISEMENTS FOR ANY COUNTY FUNDED OR SPONSORED PROGRAM OR EVENT;**" and said Local Law in final form is the same as when presented and introduced; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that said Local Law be enacted in final form as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. -2011, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

**A LOCAL LAW TO PROHIBIT ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM
PUBLISHING OR ALLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THEIR
NAMES IN ADVERTISEMENTS FOR ANY COUNTY FUNDED
OR SPONSORED PROGRAM OR EVENT**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent.

This Legislature hereby finds and determines that the County of Suffolk funds and sponsors various programs and events for veterans, seniors, young people, handicapped citizens and other segments of the population.

This Legislature further finds that many such programs and events funded by the County are credited to elected officials in various publications and advertisements.

This Legislature further finds that it is best to avoid instances where the public would perceive that officials are using taxpayer money to fund member item agencies in order to further promote their own names for political gain.

Therefore, the purpose of this law is to bar elected officials from publishing or allowing the publication of their names in any publication or advertisement relating to any County funded or sponsored program or event.

Section 2. Definitions.

“FUNDED OR SPONSORED”- means that sums of money or other resources were supplied or furnished, in whole or in part, by the County or its agencies and includes the use of any County property, facility, employees or goods.

“PROGRAM OR EVENT”- means any public performance, presentation, social occasion or gathering including, sporting contests, concerts, shows, exhibits, fairs, expositions, educational seminars, health screenings and presentations.

Section 3. Requirements.

No elected County Official shall cause to publish or allow the publication of his or her name in any advertisement, publication, promotional literature, banner, billboard, brochure or web site relating to the promotion of any County funded or sponsored program or event.

Section 4. Applicability.

This law shall apply to all County funded or sponsored programs or events on or after the effective date of this law.

Section 5. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not effect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 6. SEQRA Determination.

This Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this law constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(s) (20) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-019(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection. The Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this law.

Section 7. Effective Date.

This law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

DATED:

APPROVED BY:

County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: