

RESOLUTION NO. 987 -2016, MAKING A SEQRA DETERMINATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED LT. MICHAEL P. MURPHY NAVY SEAL MUSEUM AT SUFFOLK COUNTY'S WEST SAYVILLE GOLF COURSE PROPERTY, TOWN OF ISLIP

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) reviewed a project designated as the "Proposed Lt. Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum at Suffolk County's West Sayville Golf Course Property, Town of Islip", pursuant to Local Law No. 22-1985, which project involves construction of a new one story 10,500 square feet structure and a connected 70 foot tall tower to be located in a cleared area of the pinetum (pine tree area) at Suffolk County's West Sayville Golf Course Property; and

WHEREAS, the proposed structure will be used for a Navy SEAL Museum as well as for a Navy Sea Cadet Corps Training Facility; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project also includes a new egress driveway to West Avenue, a new walkway with display areas and new vegetative plantings; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) was prepared and submitted to the CEQ office by the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation and a presentation was made by the architect for the Navy SEAL Museum and the father of Lt. Michael P. Murphy and subsequently sent out to all concerned parties; and

WHEREAS, at its September 21, 2016 meeting, the CEQ reviewed the EAF and information submitted by the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ recommended that the above activity be considered a Type I Action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ has advised the County Legislature and the County Executive by memo dated September 28, 2016 of said recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Section 450-5(H) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE requires the Presiding Officer to introduce legislation for an appropriate SEQRA determination; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Legislature has reviewed the EAF and the CEQ recommendations; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby determines that the Proposed Lt. Michael P. Murphy Navy SEAL Museum at Suffolk County's West Sayville Golf Course Property, Town of Islip constitutes a Type I Action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE, that the proposed project will not have significant adverse impacts on the environment for the following reasons:

- 1) the proposed action will not exceed any of the criteria set forth in Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617.7, which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment;
- 2) the proposal does not appear to significantly threaten any unique or highly valuable environmental or cultural resources as identified in or regulated by the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York or the Suffolk County Charter or the Suffolk County Code;
- 3) no ancillary equipment will be placed on the proposed museum tower;
and
- 4) the proposed action is compatible with the site's historic character and consistent with the 2002 Conceptual Site Plan for the Long Island Maritime Museum;

and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Suffolk County Clerk, the initiating unit of said project, and with the CEQ; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section C1-4(1)(d) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER and Section 450-5(C)(4) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE, the CEQ is hereby directed to prepare and circulate a SEQRA notice of determination of non-significance in accordance with this Resolution.

DATED: November 22, 2016

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: November 29, 2016