

BARRY A. WEINSTEIN, M.D. SUPERVISOR

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March 6, 2012

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Mr. Robert M. Graber Legislative Clerk Erie County Legislature 92 Franklin Street – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Mr. Graber:

The attached certified Resolution 2012-252, *Raising the Threshold for Property Tax Exemption for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes,* was unanimously adopted at the March 5, 2012, Amherst Town Board Meeting. This resolution raises the base rate to the current maximum allowable amount, which is \$29,000. The Town of Amherst encourages Erie County to follow suit in raising the base income limit.

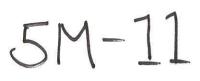
Would you please distribute copies of this certified resolution to all members of the Erie County Legislature.

Regards,

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Barry A. Weinstein, M.D. Supervisor

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# **TOWN OF AMHERST**

#### **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

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### **CERTIFICATE OF TOWN CLERK**

I, Marjory Jaeger, Town Clerk of the Town of Amherst, in the County of Erie, State of New York, HEREBY CERTIFY, as follows:

That the attached Resolution 2012-252 "Raising the Threshold for Property Tax Exemption for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes" is a true and exact copy of the Resolution enacted by the Town Board at its meeting on March 5, 2012.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Town of Amherst this 6th day of March, 2012.

Marjory Jaege

Town Clerk Town of Amherst, Erie County, NY

Sworn to before me This 6th-day of March, 2012 NO Notary Public KATHLEEN N. COOPER No. 01CO6003585 ary Public, State of New York

Qualified in Erie County My Commission Expires June 30, 20



Town of Amherst 5583 Main Street Williamsville, NY 14221 www.amherst.ny.us Marjory Jaeger Town Clerk

Meeting: 03/05/12 07:00 PM Department: Supervisor Initiated by: Barry A. Weinstein SCHEDULED

**RESOLUTION 2012-252** 

## Raising the Threshold for Property Tax Exemption for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes

**WHEREAS,** The Exemption for Persons With Disabilities and Limited Incomes property exemption (Local Law No. 4-1998) was passed by the Town of Amherst in 1998; and

**WHEREAS,** the enabling legislation from New York State allows for a base range of income \$3,000.00 to \$29,000.00 and the Town of Amherst chose \$24,000.00 as the base rate with a current maximum of \$32,400.00 utilizing the sliding scale for percent of exemption; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been fourteen (14) years since this base rate was set and there has been no adjustment to the base rate of \$24,000.00

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Amherst Town Board wishes to raise the base rate to the current maximum allowable which is \$29,000.00 and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Assessor calculate a new table using \$29,000.00 (the value of "M" pursuant to Town Code §175-26) as the new base amount and that this shall be in effect for the filing of the 2013 property exemptions and be it further,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Legislature encouraging the County of Erie to follow suit in raising their base income limit.

### 3/05/2012

Consent

### FISCAL IMPACT:

To be determined