Submitted by the County Executive and Introduced by Presiding Officer Norma L. Gonsalves, Deputy Presiding Officer Richard Nicolello, Alt. Presiding Officer Howard Kopel, and Legislators Denise Ford, C. William Gaylor III, Vincent T. Muscarella, James Kennedy, Laura Schaefer, Dennis Dunne Sr, Rose Walker, Donald Mac Kenzie, Steven Rhoads, Minority Leader Kevan Abrahams, Siela Bynoe, Carrie Solages, Laura Curran, Ellen Birnbaum, Della DeRiggi-Whitton, Judith A. Jacobs. LOCAL LAW NO. 2-2016

A LOCAL LAW TO ADD TITLE 82 TO THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY IN RELATION TO ENSURING SERVICE-DISABLED VETERANS HAVE GREATER PARTICIPATION IN COUNTY CONTRACTS

Passed by the Nassau County Legislature on April 25, 2016 Voting: ayes; 18 nayes; 0 abstained; 0

Became a law on April 27, 2016 with the approvel of the County Executive.

WHEREAS, Nassau County is home to many men and women who have faithfully served their country as members of military and national guard, some of whom became disabled during their service; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the service to and sacrifice for our nation, the Nassau County Legislature declares that it is in the best interest of Nassau County to promote and encourage the continuing economic development of service-disabled veteran-owned businesses; and

WHERAS, the County Legislature, aims to assist service-disabled veterans in playing a greater role in the local economy by providing service-disabled veterans additional assistance and support in forming and expanding small businesses by ensuring greater participation in County contracts; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows: Section 1. Title 82 is hereby added to the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County:

## Title 82

## PARTICIPATION OF SERVICE-DISABLED VETERANS IN COUNTY CONTRACTS

## Section 1. **Definitions.** In this Title the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

- "State-Certified Business" shall mean a business that is a certified service-disabled veteran-owned business under the New York State Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Act.
- 2. "Departments and Offices" shall mean
  - (a) Any County department; or
  - (b) Any division board, commission or bureau of any county department, or Nassau County Community College; or
  - (c) A board, a majority of whose members are appointed by the County Executive or who serve by virtue of being County officers or employees; or
  - (d) Any of the following:

Assessment Review Commission

Civil Service Commission

Commissioner of Accounts

Comptroller

Consumer Affairs

Coordinating Agency for Spanish Americans

County Attorney

County Clerk

County Executive

County Legislature

Department of Assessment

District Attorney

Drug & Alcohol

Fire Commission

Health

**Human Resources** 

**Human Rights Commission** 

**IDA** 

Medical Examiner

Mental Health Minority Affairs Nassau County Community College Office of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs Office of Budget & Management Office of the Physically Challenged Planning Police Department Probation Public Administrator Public Works Purchasing & Contracts Recreation Parks & Support Services Sheriff and Correction Officers Social Services Senior Citizen Affairs Traffic & Parking Violations Traffic Safety Board Treasurer Veterans Services Youth Board

- § 2. The Nassau County Office of Minority Affairs shall be responsible for outreach to State-Certified Businesses to participate in public contract bidding opportunities and for maintaining a data base of all State-Certified Businesses.
- § 3. All departments and offices of Nassau County shall make good faith efforts to ensure State-Certified Businesses have greater participation in County contracts by aiming for at least a six percent participation rate of State-Certified Businesses on County contracts.
- § 4. All departments and offices of Nassau County shall maintain documents reflecting the good faith efforts made by their department.

§ 2. 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 affect, 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.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the adoption of this local law is a "Type II" Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) and (27) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This local law shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED

**County Executive** 

DATE CAPAIL 27, 2016