**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that pursuant to the direction of the **Board of Trustees of the Village of Nassau, the Village Board shall hold a public hearing on November 8, 2023, at 7:15 P.M**., at the Nassau Village Hall located at 40 Malden Street, Nassau, New York, to receive comments from the public about a proposed local law as follows:

A **Local Law 1-2023** of the Village of Nassau providing real property tax exemptions for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers pursuant to Article 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law.

In 2022, State legislation was enacted authorizing municipalities, including villages, to grant a property tax exemption of up to 10% to volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency personnel within the municipality. The proposed local law would authorize that exemption to such volunteers within the Village of Nassau. The exemption would be available only to residential property owned by the volunteer applicant within the Village of Nassau. The applicant would be required to provide proof that he or she has been an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or voluntary ambulance service for at least two years. A volunteer showing twenty years of active service would be entitled to the 10% exemption for the remainder of his or her life, as long as the primary residence is located within the Village of Nassau. The proposed local law would also provide a continuation of the exemption to certain un-remarried spouses of a qualifying volunteer firefighter or ambulance worker, killed in the line of duty, or having served twenty years as a volunteer. Applications for the exemption would be made to the Nassau Town Assessor. Applications for the exemption could first be filed in 2024, and would be included in the 2025 tax roll for the Village of Nassau.

A copy of the proposed local law may be inspected at the Office of the Village Clerk during regular business hours at the Nassau Village Hall, 40 Malden Street, P. O. Box 452, Nassau, New York 12123. In addition, a copy of the proposed local law is also available on the Village of Nassau website at: Villageofnassau.org

By order of the Village Board of the Nassau

Village Board

Dated: October 23, 2023

Melissa Turner-Bulan

Nassau Village Clerk