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County
City of.....**Beacon**.....
Town
Village

Local Law No.....16...of the year....2016.....

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Beacon as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 174, Safe Storage and Display of Firearms is hereby added as follows:

174-1 Purpose.

The City Council hereby finds that the storage, possession and display of firearms in the City of Beacon require the regulation thereof in the public interest, convenience and necessity. In addition, the presence of an unsecured, easily accessible loaded firearm in the home increases the likelihood of death or injury from accidents or impulsive acts. Guns left unattended in the home should be kept locked or stored securely to prevent access by children and others who should not have access to them. Gun owners are responsible for keeping their firearms from falling into the hands of children and other unauthorized individuals.

174-2 Definitions.

Unless otherwise expressly stated, whenever used in this article, the following words shall have the meaning given to them by this section when used herein:

FIREARM

Any weapon from which a shot is discharged by force of an explosive, or a weapon which acts by force of gunpowder, and shall include any weapon capable of being loaded with powder, ball or ammunition, and shall include any weapon which is otherwise capable of being loaded with powder, ball or ammunition, whether completed, assembled or from which any part or piece has been removed therefrom.

PERSON

Any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

SAFE STORAGE DEPOSITORY

A safe or other secure container which, when locked, is incapable of being opened without the key, combination or other unlocking mechanism and is capable of preventing an unauthorized person from obtaining access to and possession of the firearm contained therein.

174-3 Storage.

- A. Firearms for sale shall be kept secured at all times when the place in which they are held for sale is not open for business.
- B. A person who stores or leaves on premises under his or her control a loaded firearm and who knows or reasonably should know that a minor who may not legally have possession of a weapon is likely to gain access to a loaded firearm at premises under the person's control must keep the firearm in a safe storage depository or render it incapable of being fired by use of a gun locking devise appropriate to that firearm.

174-4 Penalties for offenses.

Any person who shall violate or shall neglect or refuse to comply with this article or any provisions thereof, upon a first offense, shall be guilty of a violation and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$250 or by imprisonment not exceeding 15 days. Upon a second offense or when a first offense results in injury or death, the offender shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense and be subject to punishment.

Section 2. Ratification, Readoption and Confirmation

Except as specifically modified by the amendments contained herein, the Chapter 174 of the City of Beacon is otherwise to remain in full force and effect and is otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

Section 3. Numbering for Codification

It is the intention of the City of Beacon and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this

Local Law shall be included in the Code of the City of Beacon; that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; that the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; that the word "Local Law" shall be changed to "Chapter," "Section" or other appropriate word as required for codification; and that any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code affected thereby.

Section 4. Severability

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their petition to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part hereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt there from.

Section 5. Effective Date

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

CITY OF BEACON



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Beacon, New York 12508

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I, IOLA C. TAYLOR, Clerk of the City of Beacon, New York, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and accurate copy of Local Law No. 16 of 2016 entitled:

A LOCAL LAW TO CREATE CHAPTER 174 OF THE CITY CODE CONCERNING SAFE STORAGE AND DISPLAY OF FIREARMS

adopted by the Beacon City Council at a regular meeting held on December 5, 2016. Council Member Mansfield made the motion to adopt the proposed local law. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wetherbee. On roll call Council Members Muhammad, Harper, Kyriacou Mansfield, Ross and Mayor Casale voted in favor (6). Council Member Wetherbee voted against (1).

Motion Carried.

WITNESS THERE I have set my hand and seal of the City of Beacon this 7th day of December, 2016.

Signed Iola C. Taylor
Iola C. Taylor, City Clerk

SEAL

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. 16 of 2016 of the City of Beacon was duly passed by the City Council on December 5, 2016, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of Beacon was duly passed by the City Council on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the * _____ and was deemed duly adopted on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of Beacon was duly passed by the City Council on _____ 20____, and was (approved) (not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the * _____ on _____ 20____. Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory) (permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general) (special) (annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the _____ was duly passed by _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved) (not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the * _____ on _____ 20____. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis, or if there be none, the chairman of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5 (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on 20____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____, State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____, 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county considered as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 1 above.

John C. Taylor
Deputy Clerk of the County legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

Date: December 7, 2016

(Seal)

(Certification to execute by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF Dutchess

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing local law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.

Nicholas Ward Miller
Signature
City Attorney
Title
City of Beacon
Date: December 7, 2016