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RESOLUTION 5 of 2026
ADOPT LOCAL LAW # _1 OF 2026
EXTENDNG THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR FROM TWO (2) YEARS TO FOUR (4) YEARS

WHEREAS, the term of office for Town Board members, other than the office of the Supervisor, is four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board for the Town of Orleans, NY is interested in enacting a Local Law to Extend the Term of office of the Town Supervisor from two (2) years to four (4) years consistent with other elected Town offices; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes that an extended term of office for the Supervisor would bring greater continuity to that elected position and thus believes that the extended term is in the public's best interest.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law §§10 and 23 the Town Board may by Local Law subject to mandatory referendum extend the term of office for the Supervisor from a two (2) year term to a four (4) year term; and

WHEREAS, the four (4) year term of Office for the Town Supervisor would commence effective January 1, 2029 following the next general election in November 2028, and to those elected to that office thereafter, if the Local Law is approved by Voters at the General Election in November 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the matter and is determined to proceed as follows.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Orleans that:

1. The foregoing recitations are incorporated herein and make a part hereof as if set forth hereafter.

2. The Town Board hereby adopts this Resolution to extend the elective term of office of the Town Supervisor from two (2) years to four (4) years effective January 1, 2029, if approved by the voters, and this change shall be considered to be in the best interests of the Town of Orleans.

3. The Local Law is subject to mandatory referendum and shall be considered by qualified electors at the upcoming General Election in November 2026.

4. The proposition to be voted on shall be:

   "Shall the Term of Office for the Town Supervisor be extended for four (4) years for any term commencing on or after January 1, 2029?"

5. The Supervisor of the Town of Orleans and the Town Clerk, their respective agents, and employees are authorized to sign all documents and take all steps necessary to bring full force and effect to this Resolution.

6. This Legislation shall be filed with the New York State Department of State; and with the Town Clerk of the Town of Orleans, if approved by the electors.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Board Member, Peter Wilson, and seconded by Board Member, Thomas Johnston, and upon roll call vote of the Board was duly adopted as follows:

Supervisor Kevin Rarick	Yes ____	No X
Thomas Johnston, Jr.	Yes X	No ____
Peter Wilson	Yes X	No ____
Mary Ford-Waterman	Yes X	No ____
Alicia Dewey	Yes X	No ____

Dated: June 11, 2026

Tammy Donnelly

Tammy Donnelly, Town Clerk

Town of Orleans, NY

NOTICE OF MANDATORY REFERENDUM

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW: Extending the Term of Office for the Town Supervisor from two (2) years to four (4) years.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at a regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Orleans, a Resolution was adopted to extend the Term of Office for the Town Supervisor from two (2) years to four (4) years starting January 1, 2029 to be consistent with the terms of office for all Town Board Members.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the adoption of the Resolution to Extend the Term of Office for the Town Supervisor from two (2) years to four (4) years is subject to Mandatory Referendum and must be approved at the next General Election in November 2026 in order to become effective.

The General Election will be held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026 from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM** to approve or not approve this Local Law.

Dated: June 11, 2026

Tammy Donnelly, Town Clerk