December 6, 2021

Operations Committee: 11-8-2021

### RESOLUTION NO. 361-2021

## ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW D (NO. \_\_) FOR THE YEAR 2021, "REAPPORTIONING FIFTEEN (15) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY"

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

### Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

This local law is intended to fulfill the requirements of the United States Constitution that there be substantially equal representation of the population of St. Lawrence County in the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, and to meet the requirements set forth in New York State statutory and decisional law regarding legislative representation. The St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators has chosen to do this by continuing the existing number of legislative districts, fifteen (15), and modifying some of the legislative district boundaries to achieve fair and equitable representation in the County Legislature based on the results of the of the United States 2020 Census of Population as modified by New York State Statute regarding the residence of state prison inmates for purposes of legislative representation.

#### Section 2. DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

A. As used in the Local Law, "Election District" or "Election Districts" means those election districts established by the St. Lawrence County Board of Elections and in effect in October 2021. Each such election district is identified by the name of the Town or City in which it is located and by a number assigned to such district.

B. The Legislative Districts established by this local law consist of areas of the County described below by reference to entire Towns or portions of a Town or the City of Ogdensburg that constitute one or more election districts.

C. The boundaries of legislative districts are established by the boundaries of the Towns, the City and the election districts, if any, included in the descriptions below. The boundaries follow municipal boundaries, and street, river and stream centerlines.

District	Description
1	That portion of the City of Ogdensburg designated Ogdensburg Election Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4
2	The entire Town of Lisbon and that portion of the City of Ogdensburg designated Ogdensburg Election Districts 5 and 6
3	The entire Towns of Morristown and Oswegatchie and that portion of the Town of Canton designated Canton Election Districts 4 and 7

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4	The entire Towns of Edwards, Fowler, Hammond, Macomb, Pitcairn, and Rossie
5	The entire Towns of Gouverneur and Depeyster
6	The entire Towns of Clare, Clifton, DeKalb, Fine, Hermon, and Russell
7	The entire Towns of Colton, Hopkinton, Parishville, Piercefield, and Pierrepont
8	The entire Town of Madrid and that portion of the Town of Potsdam designated Potsdam Election District 1 and 2 and that portion of the Town of Canton designated Canton Election Districts 2 and 8
9	That portion of the Town of Canton designated Canton Election Districts 1, 3, 5, and 6
10	That portion of the Town of Potsdam designated Potsdam Election Districts 5 and 6
11	The entire Town of Stockholm and that portion of the Town of Potsdam designated Potsdam Election Districts 4 and 7
12	The entire Town of Norfolk and that portion of the Town of Potsdam designated Potsdam Election Districts 3 and 8
13	The entire Towns of Brasher, Lawrence, and that portion of the Town of Massena designated Massena Election Districts 7 and 8
14	That portion of the Town of Massena designated Massena Election Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6
15	The entire Towns of Louisville and Waddington and that portion of the Town of Massena Election District 2

D. The boundaries of the legislative districts established by this local law are shown on the maps attached hereto as Exhibits A through A15 detailed, copies of which shall be filed with the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office immediately after the effective date of this local law.

## Section 3. SEPARABILITY OF PROVISIONS

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this local law is adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment, shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law.

# Section 4. PRIOR LOCAL LAWS SUPERSEDED

The provisions of this local law shall supersede all of the provisions of Local Law No. 1 of 2012, which established the County Legislative Districts following the 2010 United States Census of Population.

#### Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATES

A. The legislative districts established by this local law shall be effective beginning with the Election of the County Legislature to be held in November, 2022.

B. This local law shall take effect 45 days after its adoption, or, if submitted to a referendum, this local law will take effect when approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of qualified electors of the County voting for its approval, and when it has been duly filed with the New York Secretary of State as provided by the Municipal Home Rule Law.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)	
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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE	)	

I, Kelly S. Pearson, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 361-2021 Entitled "Adopting Proposed Local Law D (No. \_\_) for the Year 2021, "Reapportioning Fifteen (15) Legislative Districts in St. Lawrence County", adopted December 6, 2021, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Pearson

Kelly S. Pearson, Deputy Clerk St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators December 7, 2021 December 6, 2021