

**RESOLUTION  
DESIGNATING THE TOWN OF CHAUTAUQUA SOURCE WATER  
CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREA**

**WHEREAS**, in July 2024, the Town of Chautauqua, Village of Mayville, and Chautauqua Institution created a Drinking Water Source Protection Program (DWSP2) Plan with NY State Department of Health and NEIWPC; and

**WHEREAS**, the DWSP2 Plan mapped locations and devised strategies for public drinking water supply protection and included a project for a Critical Environmental Area (CEA); and

**WHEREAS**, in accord with 6 NYCRR 617.14G, local agencies may designate areas within their boundaries as CEA based on unique environmental characteristics; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.14G(1), "To be designated as a CEA, an area must have an exceptional or unique character covering one or more of the following: (i) a benefit or threat to human health; (ii) a natural setting (e.g., fish and wildlife habitat, forest and vegetation, open space and areas of important aesthetic or scenic quality); (iii) agricultural, social, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, or educational values; or (iv) an inherent ecological, geological or hydrological sensitivity to change that may be adversely affected by any change"; and

**WHEREAS**, the DWSP2 Plan management team, with technical assistance from the Department of Health and Barton & Loguidice consultant team, developed the necessary materials for the CEA designation, including a map and written justification; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed CEA boundary is outlined in the "Town of Chautauqua Source Water Area Critical Environmental Area" map; and **WHEREAS**, the Town Board reviewed the map and justification, and held a public hearing on May 14, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of this hearing was published in the Jamestown Post-Journal and Town website([www.townofchautauqua.com](http://www.townofchautauqua.com)) on April 25, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, a the CEA Map and CEA Justification were available for public review at the Town of Chautauqua Municipal Building and posted on the Town website; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has thoroughly analyzed the information concerning relevant areas of environmental concern raised by members of the public and gathered by the Town Board through its consultants and considered the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR § 617.7.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Board of the Town of Chautauqua that the proposed Town of Chautauqua Source Water Area Critical Environmental Area has exceptional or unique character as required by 6 NYCRR 617.14 for the designation of a CEA; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to enter said designation into the minutes and report the designation to all involved agencies and state departments according to 6 NYCRR 617.14, with the designation taking effect 30 days after filing with the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

**Dated:** May 14, 2025

**Motion:** Councilman, Thomas Carlson

**Second:** Councilman, Al Akin

**Vote:** Ayes – 5, Nays - 0

### CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK            )  
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA    )        ss.:

I, Rebecca L. Luba, Town Clerk of the Town of Chautauqua, Chautauqua County, New York (the "Town"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution is a true, correct and complete copy of said original and of the whole thereof so far as the same relate to the subject matters referred to therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town this

22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2025



Town Clerk

