

**RESOLUTION NO.     – 2025**

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution No. 223-2000, the County submitted a proposal to the New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets (the “NYS Commissioner”) to establish the Westchester County Agricultural District No. 1 (the “District”) and designate a review period every eight (8) years. The NYS Commissioner certified the lands designated in Resolution No. 223-2000 for districting effective July 19, 2001. Recertification of the District is once again necessary and is due to be completed on or before July 19, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, certain enumerated actions must be taken in order to recertify the District. First is to publish a notice that a review is underway, second is to direct the Westchester County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board (“AFPB”) to prepare a report and recommendations, and third is to schedule a public hearing. The first two steps were previously authorized by your Honorable Board by Resolution 2025-13. The third step, the scheduling of the public hearing, was previously authorized by your Honorable Board by Resolution 2025-61; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law requires that the Board take certain additional, enumerated actions in relation to the recertification of the District; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board has reviewed the report and recommendations prepared by the Westchester County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board (“AFPB”) and has given due consideration to the proposals and statements made during the course of the public comment period and the public hearing, which was duly held on March 24, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Westchester County Board of Legislators finds that the District should be modified for the reasons set forth in the AFPB report and recommendations and that the modifications included therein are appropriate; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Board adopts the evaluation, purposes, goals, and modifications set forth in the AFPB report and recommendations, with due consideration to the proposals and statements made during the public comment period and the public hearing; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to forward to the NYS Commissioner (i) certified copies of this Resolution; (ii) a description of the District, including a map delineating the exterior boundaries of the District which shall conform to tax parcel boundaries; (iii) the tax map identification numbers for every parcel in the District; (iv) a copy of the AFPB report and recommendations; and (v) a copy of the testimony given at the public hearing.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ 2025  
White Plains, New York