

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF PIERMONT

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RESOLUTION NO: 0709-19

VILLAGE OF PIERMONT

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Village of Piermont has determined that it is necessary to reduce the risk to human health safety and welfare of its citizenry and the environment by minimizing the use of certain herbicides; and

WHEREAS, recently there has been evidence suggesting that there are cancer risks associated with glyphosatebased weed killers such as Round-Up and Ranger Pro; and

WHEREAS, in a March 2015 report, the World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer ("IARC") concluded that glyphosate, the key ingredient in Round-Up, is "probably carcinogenic in humans"; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Village Of Piermont has determined that the use of certain herbicides on lands within the Village creates a risk contributing to adverse effects on surface and/or ground water; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Village Of Piermont wishes to further protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents, employees, and contractors by eliminating their exposure to potentially harmful and carcinogenic substances used in the maintenance of landscaping within Piermont owned and private lands; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Village of Piermont wishes to eliminate the risks associated with herbicide products containing glyphosate and therefore seeks to ban the application of glyphosate containing herbicides such as Round-Up and Ranger Pro by all employees and commercial applicators in the performance of landscaping and maintenance work on all Village of Piermont property, and property owned or managed by the Village, and directs municipal departments to take all actions necessary to accomplish the aforestated objectives.

WHEREAS, the Piermont Village Board has previously resolved to declare itself lead agency for the purpose of a SEQRA review of the proposal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees undertakes an initial SEQRA review of the proposal to ban the application of glyphosate on Village property and finds as follows:

1. That the proposed action subject to SEQRA (NYCRR §617.6[a][1][i]).

- 2. That the proposal does not involve a Federal agency (NYCRR §617.6[a][1][ii]).
- 3. That the proposal does not involve one or more other agencies (NYCRR §617.6[a][1][iii]); since an "Involved Agency" is defined by NYCRR §617.2[s] as an agency that has jurisdiction by law to fund, approve or directly undertake an action.
- 4. That the proposed Village Policy has a preliminary classification as an "Type II" action which is exempt from further SEQRA review.
- 5. That the proposed action is not located within an agricultural district (NYCRR §617.6[a][6]).
- 6. That the proposal to ban the use of herbicide products containing glyphosate on Village of Piermont municipal property is a "Type II" action under SEQRA and not subject to any further review relative to the environmental significance of the action. NYCRR §617.5[15].

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees approves ban the application of glyphosate containing herbicides such as Round-Up and Ranger Pro by all employees and commercial applicators in the performance of landscaping and maintenance work on all Village of Piermont property, and on property owned or managed by the Village, and directs municipal departments to take all actions necessary to accomplish the aforestated objectives.

Adopted at a regular Board meeting of the Village of Piermont Board of Trustees on July 9, 2019.

No: None

The resolution was moved by Mayor Tucker and seconded by Trustee Alpert

The roll was called for the vote:

Yes: Trustee Blomquist

Trustee Alpert
Trustee Burns
Trustee Mitchell

Mayor Tucker

Upon vote the resolution carried unanimously.

Dated: July 9, 2019

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