### VILLAGE OF CROTON-ON-HUDSON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### LOCAL LAW INTRODUCTORY NO. 14 OF 2021

# A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 160 OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF CROTON-ON-HUDSON, NOISE, TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS ON GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>: Subsection I of Section 160-4 of the Code of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### § 160-4 Enumeration of prohibited noises.

- I. Notwithstanding the time constraints in Section H above, the operation of gaspowered leaf blowers is prohibited between June 1 and August 31, 2022, as well as January 1 and March 31, 2023, and every year thereafter. Between the aforementioned periods of each year, the Village Manager or his designee shall determine whether the use of gas-powered leaf blowers by the general public after significant storm events or other emergency circumstances shall be permitted for a period of time not to exceed seven days. The provisions hereof shall not be deemed to prevent the use of gas-powered leaf blowers on school district property at any time. Any violation issued under this Subsection I shall be issued to the property owner or the owner of the business undertaking the gas-powered leaf blowing operations, at the discretion of the enforcement officer issuing the violation.
  - 1. Properties located within the RA-40, RA-60 or Waterfront Development zoning districts shall be eligible to apply for a permit for the operation of gas-powered leaf blowers, with reasonable and appropriate conditions and/or limitations as determined by the Village Manager or his designee. The permit shall be valid for a period no less than one week and no longer than three months and the fee shall be established by resolution of the Village Board of Trustees.

<u>Section 2:</u> The subsections of Section 160-4 which follow subsection I shall be re-lettered in alphabetical order.

#### **Section 3: Severability**

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or other portion of this Local Law is, for any reason, declared invalid, in whole or in part, by any court, agency, commission, legislative body or other authority of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent portion. Such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof, which other portions shall continue in full force and effect.

## **Section 4: Effective Date**

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.