

PETITION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATION

We, the undersigned electors and legal voters of **(insert type of local government entity — e.g., town, village or district)** of **(insert name of local government entity)**, New York, qualified to vote at the next general or special election, respectfully petition that there be submitted to the electors and legal voters of **(insert type and name of local government entities proposed to be consolidated)**, for their approval or rejection at a referendum held for that purpose, a proposal to consolidate **(insert type and name of local government entity)** with **(insert type and name of local government entity or entities)**.

In witness whereof, we have signed our names on the dates indicated next to our signatures.

	Date	Name – print name under signature	Home Address
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

(On the bottom of each page of the petition, after all of the numbered signatures, insert a signed statement of a witness who is a duly qualified elector of the state of New York. Such a statement shall be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a material false statement, shall subject the person signing it to the same penalties as if he or she has been duly sworn. The form of such statement shall be substantially as follows:

I, (insert name of witness), state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing (insert

number) signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date

Signature of Witness)

(In lieu of the signed statement of a witness who is a duly qualified voter of the state of New York, the following statement signed by a notary public or a commissioner of deeds shall be accepted:

On the date indicated above before me personally came each of the electors and legal voters whose signatures appear on this petition sheet containing (insert number) signatures, who signed the petition in my presence and who, being by me duly sworn, each for himself or herself, identified himself or herself as the one and same person who signed the petition and that the foregoing information they provided was true.

Date

Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds)