17. RESOLUTION TO ADOPTING SEQRA NEGATIVE DECLARATION

WHEREAS, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW ("TOWN") PROPOSES TO CONSTRUCT A RECREATIONAL FACILITY, WHICH WILL CONSIST OF ATHLETIC FIELDS, PLAYGROUNDS, PAVILIONS, AN INDOOR MULTI-PURPOSE ATHLETIC FACILITY, PARKING LOTS, A FIELD HOUSE, A WALKING PATH AND BOARDWALK TRAIL, LIGHTING, CONCESSION AND SERVICE BUILDINGS, A FUTURE MULTI-USE BUILDING, AND GRANDSTANDS ("PROPOSED ACTION"); AND

WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED ACTION IS PROPOSED TO BE ON AN UNDEVELOPED 25-ACRE LOT OWNED BY THE TOWN AND LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST HAVERSTRAW BOUNDED BY CENTRAL HIGHWAY TO THE WEST, CINDER ROAD TO THE SOUTH, AND CHAPEL STREET TO THE EAST AND SHOWN ON THE TOWN TAX MAP AS SECTION 20.18, BLOCK 4, LOT 1.1 (THE "PROPERTY"); AND

WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED ACTION REQUIRES REVIEW UNDER THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT ("SEQRA") AS SET FORTH IN 6 NYCRR PART 617; AND

WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED ACTION IS A TYPE I ACTION PURSUANT TO 6

NYCRR 617.4(B)(6)(I) BECAUSE THE PROPOSED ACTION INVOLVES PHYSICAL

ALTERATION OF MORE THAN 10 ACRES; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TOWN BOARD ("TOWN BOARD") IS AN INVOLVED AGENCY AS IT WILL HAVE TO FUND AND DIRECTLY UNDERTAKE THE PROPOSED ACTION; AND

WHEREAS, AFTER DULY CIRCULATING ITS NOTICE OF INTENT TO BE LEAD AGENCY AND WAITING THE REQUISITE 30 DAYS, BY RESOLUTION DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2020 THE TOWN BOARD ESTABLISHED ITSELF AS LEAD AGENCY; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN BOARD HAS REVIEWED THE FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM ("FEAF"), PART 1 AND THE STUDIES, PLANS, REPORTS AND ANALYSES ANNEXED THERETO AND REFERENCED THEREIN, WHICH HAVE ALL BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE INVOLVED

AGENCIES, INTERESTED AGENCIES, AND THE PUBLIC ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN BOARD HAS THOROUGHLY ANALYZED THE RELEVANT AREAS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN BOARD HAS HELD PUBLIC MEETINGS TO DISCUSS ITS ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THIS PROJECT, INCLUDING AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 9, 2020, AT WHICH MEETINGS THE TOWN BOARD SOLICITED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS ITS EXPERT CONSULTANTS, INCLUDING ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRAFFIC; AND

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TOWN BOARD HEREBY
ADOPTS THE FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM, PART 2; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TOWN BOARD HEREBY ADOPTS THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM, PART 3, WITH THE ATTACHMENT ANNEXED THERETO, WHICH AFTER UNDERTAKING A HARD LOOK AT THE POTENTIAL AREAS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN CONTAINS THE TOWN BOARD'S REASONED ELABORATION FOR DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND A NEGATIVE DECLARATION IS WARRANTED; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THE TOWN CLERK IS HEREBY DIRECTED TO FILE AND DISTRIBUTE THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM, PART 3 WITH ATTACHMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 6 NYCRR 617.12(B); PUBLISH THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM, PART 3 WITH ATTACHMENT IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICE BULLETIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH 6 NYCRR 617.12(C); AND FURTHER DISTRIBUTE, FILE AND/OR PUBLISH THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM, PART 3 WITH ATTACHMENT AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

HAVERSTRAW TOWN BOARD NOVEMBER 23, 2020