

**TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD  
LOCAL LAW NO. \_\_ OF 2021**

**A LOCAL LAW TO OPT-OUT OF ALLOWING CANNABIS RETAIL  
DISPENSARIES AND ON-SITE CONSUMPTION SITES AS AUTHORIZED  
UNDER CANNABIS LAW ARTICLE 4.**

**Section 1. Legislative Intent**

It is the intent of the Town Board to opt out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site cannabis consumption sites in the Town of North Hempstead that would otherwise be allowed under Article 4 of the New York State Marihuana Regulation and Taxation Act (the “Cannabis Law”).

**Section 2. Authority**

**This local law is adopted pursuant to Cannabis Law § 131, which expressly authorizes the Town Board to adopt a local law requesting the Cannabis Control Board to prohibit the establishment of cannabis retail dispensary licenses and/or on-site consumption licenses within the jurisdiction of the Town and is subject to a permissive referendum, the procedure of which is governed by Municipal Home Rule Law § 24.**

**Section 3. Local Opt-Out**

**The Town Board of the Town of North Hempstead hereby opts out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site cannabis consumption sites from being established and operated within the jurisdiction of the Town.**

**Section 4. Severability**

**If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this article or in its application to the person or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.**

**Section 5. Permissive Referendum; Referendum on Petition.**

**This local law is subject to a referendum on petition in accordance with Cannabis Law § 131 and the procedure outlined in Municipal Home Rule Law § 24.**

**Section 6. Effective Date**

**This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.**