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TOWN OF POUND RIDGE

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF THE YEAR 2013

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Pound Ridge that the following amendments be added to existing Chapter 54A Filming Ordinance.

**§54A-1. Permit Required.**

- a) Any filming or photography in the Town of Pound Ridge by an independent or syndicated group or company or by an individual doing so for commercial purposes must have a permit obtained from the Town Clerk of the Town of Pound Ridge, or his or her designee, prior to the time of the actual filming. Issuance of the permit shall be conditioned upon the applicant satisfying all the requirements of an Application for Filming/Photography Permit and paying all applicable fees.
- b) In the event the Town Clerk denies an application for a permit, the applicant may request the Town Board hear the application and the Town Board, in its discretion, may grant the permit.

**§54A-2. Application.**

Application for a Filming/Photography Permit can be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk, Town House, Westchester Avenue, Pound Ridge, New York.

**§54A-3. Penalties for Offenses.**

Failure to comply with the requirements of this chapter shall subject the property owner and/or the filming or photography company to a fine, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 each for each day or part thereof that such filming/photography or related activities are conducted in violation of this chapter. In addition to the aforementioned fine(s), the property owner and filming or photography company may also be required to reimburse the town for any legal fees or other costs of enforcement.

**§54A-4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this chapter shall not apply to or be construed to affect:**

- a) Filming or photography by news media; or
- b) Filming or photography by a sole photographer or videographer engaged for private, non-commercial family portraits or family events; or
- c) Filming or photography which meets all of the following conditions:
  - 1. Five or less individuals constitute the entire cast and crew;
  - 2. Does not impair the quiet enjoyment of surrounding properties;
  - 3. Requires no parking variances;
  - 4. Does not involve the use of any pyrotechnic device;
  - 5. Does not involve the use of artificial lighting other than camera mounted or handheld equipment; and
  - 6. Does not interfere with the public's use of Town property.
- d) In the event a complaint is made to the Town Police with regard to any of the activities described in subparagraph "c" above, all individuals involved shall immediately cease all such activities and shall be required to submit an application for a permit and may be subject to the penalties set forth in paragraph 54A-3 above.

Effective Date - This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the State of New York