ORDINANCE NO. 2016:07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10-2 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD ENTITLED "HOUSING CODE" SECTION 10-2.79 ENTITLED SOLAR PANEL INSTALLATION

WHEREAS, Chapter 10-2.79 entitled "Solar Panel Installations" outlines the requirements for the installation of solar panels; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of Chapter 10-2.79 notes the prohibition of roof mounted solar panels on the front roof of a structure and goes on to outline conditions under which front-facing installation may be permitted; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe that all requests for front-facing installation should be reviewed by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Milford that Chapter 10-2.79 Section d. 5. shall be removed and replaced as follows:

Roof-mounted solar panels shall not be permitted on the front roof of a structure which faces the street. This requirement shall also apply to the side street of a corner lot. Solar panels shall be located on a rear or side facing roof, as viewed from any adjacent street. The removal of potential obstructions such as interceding vegetation shall not be sufficient cause to appeal for a front-facing installation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of this ordinance remains unchanged and that this amendment shall become effective upon passage and publication in accordance with law.