



**TOWN OF NEWTOWN
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

ORDINANCE
LETTER OF CERTIFICATION

Please be advised that at a regular meeting of the Legislative Council held on:

OCTOBER 7TH, 2015
(Date)

The following Ordinance was:

Approved: X

Modified: _____

TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS
(Title of Ordinance)

Legal Notice has been filed in a local newspaper on:

10/16/15
(Newspaper's official publication date)

Ordinance will be in effect as of:

10/30/15
(Date enforceable)

A copy of the full Ordinance is attached to this letter.

Signed: [Signature] RYAN KNAPP
Chairman, Ordinance Committee, Legislative Council

**An Ordinance Expanding the Additional Tax-Exemption
Available for Totally Disabled Veterans**

WHEREAS Public Act 13-224 authorized municipalities to implement an additional tax exemption for veterans who are 100% disabled and who meet certain income eligibility requirements; and

WHEREAS, C.G.S. § 12-81g(e) provides that, pursuant to the terms of that section, the State shall reimburse each town to the extent of the revenue loss represented by the additional exemptions provided for in C.G.S. § 12-81g(b); and

WHEREAS the implementation of this exemption will further recognize the Town of Newtown's veterans who are most in need of tax relief.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWTOWN THAT sections 208-16, 208-17, and 208-19 of the Town of Newtown Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

§ 208-16 Amount of Exemption; income limits

- A. Any veteran entitled to an exemption from property tax in accordance with Subdivision 19 of § 12-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes shall be entitled to an additional exemption, provided such veteran's qualifying income does not exceed \$41,200 for a single veteran or \$45,000 for a married veteran. The exemption, in the greater amount of \$10,000 or 10% of the assessed value of the property, shall be applied to the assessed value of an eligible veteran's property.
- B. Effective for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2015 and each assessment year thereafter, the additional exemption from property tax permitted by Connecticut General Statutes § 12-81g(b) for veterans and their spouses pursuant to the provisions of Subdivision 20 of Connecticut General Statutes § 12-81 is hereby authorized for those persons who meet the eligibility requirements of said sections.

§ 208-17 Exemption for surviving spouses

Any veteran's surviving spouse entitled to an exemption from property tax, in accordance with Subdivision 22 of § 12-81, shall be entitled to an additional exemption, provided such surviving spouse's qualifying income does not exceed \$41,200. The exemption, in the greater amount of \$10,000 or 10% of the assessed value of the property, shall be applied to the assessed value of an eligible surviving spouse's property.

§ 208-18 Administration

The Assessor of the Town of Newtown shall administer the veteran's tax exempt program as set forth in C.G.S. § 12-81(f) as amended by Public Act 03-44 and C.G.S. § 12-81g as amended by Public Act 13-224.