

TOWN OF WESTERLY

CHAPTER 2064

“AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE V ‘EXEMPTION FOR QUALIFIED VETERANS, PRISONERS OF WAR, GOLD STAR PARENTS AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS’ OF CHAPTER 229 OF THE WESTERLY CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED, ‘TAXATION’”

The Town of Westerly hereby ordains:

Section 1. Section 229-10 of the Taxation Ordinance of the Town of Westerly entitled “Grant to veterans, prisoners of war and gold star parents” and Section 229-11 entitled “Grant to visually impaired persons” is hereby amended as follows:

§229-10. Grant to veterans, prisoners of war and gold star parents.

Pursuant to RIGL Chapter 44-3-4 and Chapter 44-3-5 entitled “Veterans and Gold Star Parents Exemptions”, the Town of Westerly is to provide by ordinance for the exemption from taxation of Qualified Veterans and Gold Star Parents; therefore, the Town Council of the Town of Westerly hereby authorizes the Town Assessor to grant the following tax exemptions:

A. Veterans’ exemptions: The property of each person qualified as provided under Chapter 44-3-4 entitled “Veteran’s Exemption,” shall be exempted from taxation to the amount of:

(1) Veterans.		
(a) Veteran exemption:	\$37,326	<u>\$36,603</u>
(b) Widow or widower of a veteran exemption:	\$37,326	<u>\$36,603</u>
(c) Totally disabled – service-connected veteran:	\$42,799	<u>\$41,970</u>
(d) Specially adapted housing veteran exemption:	\$42,799	<u>\$41,970</u>
(2) Prisoners of war:	\$62,670	<u>\$61,457</u>

B. Gold Star parent exemption: The property of each person qualified as provided under Chapter 44-3-5 entitled “Gold Star Parent” shall be exempted from taxation to the amount of:

(1) Gold Star parent exemption:	\$42,799	<u>\$41,970</u>
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§229-11. Grant to visually impaired persons.

Pursuant to RIGL Chapter 44-3-12 entitled "Visually Impaired Persons," the Town of Westerly is to provide by ordinance for the exemption from taxation of visually impaired; therefore, the Town Council of the Town of Westerly hereby authorizes the Town Assessor to grant the following exemption:

A. Visually impaired:					\$26,708	<u>\$26,191</u>
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Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon all ratable property as assessed December 31, 2023.

A true copy of an Ordinance passed August 19, 2024.

Per Order of the Town Council.

ATTEST: Mary L. LeBlanc, MMC
Council Clerk