



# TOWN OF EXETER, RI

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION ALLOWING EXETER  
TO ESTABLISH A TAX EXEMPTION FOR 100% SERVICE-CONNECTED  
DISABLED VETERANS**

**WHEREAS:** It is the intent of the Exeter Town Council to establish the real estate property tax exemption for disabled veterans for any person who is classified as one hundred percent (100%) service-connected disabled according to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Exeter recognizes and honors the extraordinary service and sacrifice of military veterans who have defended the freedoms of the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS:** Veterans who have been determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to be one hundred percent (100%) service-connected disabled have sustained severe and permanent injuries in service to their country; and

**WHEREAS:** Rhode Island General Law §44-3-4 authorizes municipalities to provide property tax exemptions or tax credits for veterans with service-connected disabilities, including those deemed 100% service-connected disabled; and

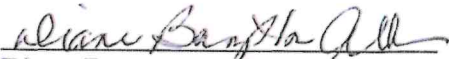
**WHEREAS:** It is the intent of the Exeter Town Council to grant an additional exemption in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) per year from the tax assessment of real property owned and occupied as a primary residence by any veteran who is certified as one hundred percent (100%) service-connected disabled; and

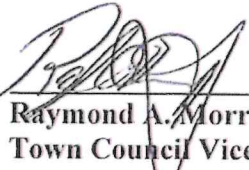
**WHEREAS:** Said exemption shall be granted in addition to the existing Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000) standard veterans' exemption, for a total exemption of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) annually from the assessed valuation of such real property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Town Council of the Town of Exeter hereby urge the members of the Rhode Island General Assembly to introduce and pass enabling legislation authorizing the Town of Exeter to enact an ordinance which would establish an exemption for the real property taxation for those military veterans with a one hundred percent (100%) military service-connected disability rating; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Town Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Rhode Island Governor Daniel McKee, the President of the Rhode Island State Senate, the Speaker of the Rhode Island House of Representatives, the State Senator and Representatives of the Town of Exeter, and all City and Town Councils.

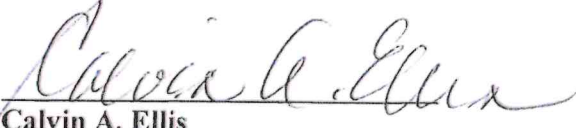
Approved by vote of the Exeter Town Council on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

  
Diane Bampton Allen  
Town Council President

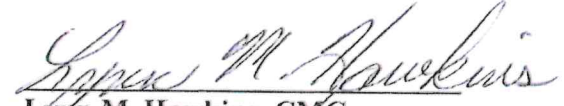
  
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IN WITNESS HEREOF, I hereby set my hand and the Official Seal of the Town of Exeter this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

  
Lynn M. Hawkins, CMC  
Exeter Town Clerk