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PLEASE FORWARD THIS NOTICE TO ALL APPLICABLE TENANTS, EMPLOYEES, OCCUPANTS AND/OR RESIDENTS

VILLAGE OF HILLBURN - DPW OR CURRENT OWNER / OCCUPANT 43 TERRACE AV HILLBURN, NY 10931

RE: REMINDER TO KEEP YOUR PROPERTY MOSQUITO-FREE

To Whom it May Concern,

Due to the continued threat of West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, and other mosquito-borne illnesses, property owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to maintain all water-holding devices, coverings, containers, and grading/drainage on their property in a manner to prevent mosquito breeding. Rockland County Health Department (RCDOH) staff may conduct routine inspections of outdoor commercial and residential facilities this season to ensure that area(s) of potential mosquito breeding do not exist on site. The Rockland County Sanitary Code ("Sanitary Code") requires that items/areas which can potentially hold non-essential water be maintained in a manner that prevents mosquito breeding.

Kindly consider visiting the RCDOH website for additional information and brochures on Mosquito Control and Prevention: www.rocklandgov.com/departments/environmental-health.

Please also be reminded that if you choose to control objects on your property with larvicide(s), you must treat in accordance with the product's label instructions and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) regulations. The Sanitary Code also requires the **posting** of treated objects/areas. The posting must display the material name/type (including product label), amount/quantity used, date of application and the applicator's name/phone number. The posting must be placed in an area where it will be visible to the public.

<u>Regarding use of pesticides:</u> Individuals may treat their <u>own</u> private property with a general use pesticide, according to label directions. Commercial pesticide applicators must be licensed by the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation.

Please note, our intent is education and compliance; however, failure to comply may result in legal action and/or financial penalties. Please e-mail us at wnv@co.rockland.ny.us or call **845-364-3173** if you have any questions regarding this letter or acceptable methods that comply with the Code.

Regards,

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Enclosure(s)

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