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Town Board statement regarding “God Bless America” banner

PENFIELD, N.Y., JULY 1, 2016 – The Penfield Town Board would like to clarify its position regarding the 5 Mile Café business owner’s use of a banner stating “God Bless America.”

Signs with ideological statements — including “God Bless America” — are, and have always been, permitted in the Town of Penfield.

Social media and other outlets have inaccurately disseminated misinformation about the Town’s position regarding the “God Bless America” banner.

The Penfield Town Board, in fact, approved the business owner’s request for a banner in conjunction with her annual Fourth of July celebration.

Issues between the Town of Penfield and the business owner have only been related to the “how and when” the physical banner could be used according to town code. The message “God Bless America” on the banner has never been, and is not, an issue.

The Penfield Town Board supports the message and the sentiment “God Bless America.” The Town of Penfield is a patriotic community with many long-standing traditions that support its heritage, veterans, and country.

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