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**CHAPTER 853**

AN ACT to provide for the establishment of the Hauppauge public library in the town of Islip, Suffolk county

Became a law July 28, 1966, with the approval of the Governor. Passed by a majority vote, three-fifths being present

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

Section 1. Establishment of library. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the town board of the town of Islip, Suffolk county, is hereby authorized, acting by a majority vote of the members of such town board, to establish a public library, to be known as the Hauppauge public library, which shall serve all the territory that lies within

EXPLANATION — Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

union free school district No. 6 as the same is located within the town of Islip only, Suffolk county, situate in the unincorporated area of the town of Islip.

§ 2. Election required. Such town board shall not establish the library as hereinbefore authorized unless such establishment of the library is approved by a majority of the residents of the area to be served by said public library who are electors of said town and who own real property assessed on the most recent assessment roll of said town voting in an election held in said town pursuant to article six of the town law.

§ 3. The trustees shall be appointed by said town board as provided in section two hundred sixty of the education law, provided that every trustee must at the time of his appointment and throughout his term of office be (1) a resident of the area to be served by such public library (2) an elector of such town and (3) the owner of property within the area served by such library assessed upon the latest completed assessment roll of the town of Islip.

§ 4. Application for charter. The duly appointed trustees shall, within thirty days after the town board shall establish the library as hereinbefore authorized, apply to the board of regents for a charter as a public library. Except as is otherwise provided by this act, the trustees shall, upon receiving such a charter, have the powers of trustees of a public library as set forth in the education law.

§ 5. The necessary expenses of operation, maintenance and repair of such facilities and services and the cost of improvements shall be paid for by taxes assessed, levied and collected from the several lots and parcels of land in the area to be served by said public library in the same manner and at the same time as other town charges.

The costs of improvements may be financed pursuant to the local finance law and in such case the town board shall raise annually by tax a sum sufficient to pay the interest and the principal of obligations issued to finance such improvement, if not otherwise paid, as the same shall become due: such tax shall be assessed, levied and collected from the several lots and parcels of land within the area to be served by such public library in the same manner and at the same time as other town charges.

§ 6. Except as otherwise provided by this act the provisions of the education law relating to public libraries established by towns and to the trustees of such public libraries shall be applicable to the public library established as herein provided and the trustees thereof.

§ 7. This act shall take effect immediately.