

**70. ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 7-163a OF THE
GENERAL STATUTES CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LIABILITY FOR ICE AND
SNOW ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS
(FEBRUARY 6, 1989)**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROTON:

Section 1. The provisions of Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-163a are hereby adopted, as set forth below.

Section 2. Regardless of any other statutes, acts or ordinances, the City of Groton shall not be liable in damages to any person or property damaged as a result of the presence of ice or snow on a public sidewalk, unless the City owns or controls the land (other than a street) adjacent to the sidewalk. Nothing herein shall relieve the City from any liability for any actions it may take in regards to the sidewalk.

Section 3. The owner or person in control of the land adjacent to the sidewalk shall have the responsibility for removal of ice and snow from the sidewalk, in the same manner as the municipality had prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. The owner or person in control shall be liable in damages to any person injured or property damaged as a result of the failure to fulfill this duty.

Section 4. No action to recover damages for injury to the person or property caused by the presence of ice or snow on a public sidewalk against a person who owns or is in possession and control of land adjacent to the public sidewalk shall be brought, but within two (2) years from the date when the injury is first sustained.

Section 5. Effective date of this Ordinance, (Ordinance #70), shall be February 15, 1989.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Ordinance #70, Ordinance Adopting The Provisions Of Section 7-163a Of The General Statutes Concerning Municipal Liability For Ice and Snow On Public Sidewalks be approved.

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