

New York Town Proposes Legal Recognition of ‘Mother,’ ‘Father’

A Long Island politician is seeking to codify the terms “mother” and “father” into his town in an effort to push back against a New York bill replacing “mother” with “gestational parent.”

Hempstead Supervisor John Ferretti told Fox News that his resolution came after his 9-year-old daughter heard him discussing the New York bill with his wife to replace the language with gender-neutral terms.

“Can I still call you daddy?” Ferretti quoted his daughter as saying.



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“It really hit close to home,” he continued. “We need to take a stand in the Town of Hempstead, the largest township in America, and make sure that we make it clear not just to residents in the Town of Hempstead, but to residents throughout New York State, that we won’t stand for this kind of woke nonsense.”

“We’re taking a stand because we will not allow woke Democrat liberals in New York State and the New York State Legislature to erase the traditional family,” Ferretti said. “They did not pass a law that adds language. They passed a law that erases mother and father from certain statutes under New York state law, and that’s completely unacceptable.”

“If Albany wanted to add additional language to their state

laws, they could have added additional language, and we would not be discussing this right now," he further stated. "Instead, they chose to erase mother and father and replace it, and we won't stand for that."

The bill under discussion, Senate Bill 9316, replaces "mother" with "gestating parent" and "father" with "non-gestating parent." The term "putative father" is also changed to "alleged parent."

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