TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS MORRIS COUNTY – NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE NO. 02-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 901 LOT 6 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

- **WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq., a municipality may acquire any real property for public use; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Property has been offered for sale pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:31-1.1, et seq.; and
- **WHEREAS**, the State did declare the Property and all other improvements thereon, to be surplus to the needs of the State; and
- **WHEREAS**, the sale and conveyance of the Property was approved by the State House Commission on September 18, 2023; and
- **WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:31-1.1, et seq., the State wishes to confirm their agreement to sell and the Township of Morris (the "Township") wishes to acquire that certain property designated as Block 901 Lot 6 on the Township Tax Map, more commonly known as 15 Jean Street, Morris Township, New Jersey (the "Property"); and
 - WHEREAS, the Property offers attractive uses and benefits to the Township; and
- WHEREAS, the Township has determined that the aforementioned Property is needed for public use; and
 - WHEREAS, the Township has obtained an Appraisal Report in connection with the Property; and
 - WHEREAS, such appraisal report finds that the purchase price is within market value; and
 - **WHEREAS**, the Township has dedicated funds for the purchase; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Township Committee believes that it is in the best interest of the Township to acquire the Property; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Township Committee desires to enter into an agreement to purchase the Property in a manner substantially the same as that attached hereto as **Exhibit "A,"** and
- **NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris, County of Morris as follows:

Section 1.

The Township of Morris authorizes the acquisition of purchase of the real property known and designated as Block 901 Lot 6 on the Tax Map of the Township of Morris in accordance with the provisions of the Local Lands and Buildings Law pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq.

Section 2.

The appropriate Township Officials, the Township Attorney, the Township Clerk and such other Township Officials and/or professionals are authorized and directed to execute any and all documents on behalf of the Township of Morris in regard to this matter.

Section 3. Severability.

If any portion of this ordinance shall be deemed invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall survive in full force and effect.

Section 4. Repealer.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances or resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5. When Effective.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with law.

ATTEST:	TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS
Suzanne Walsh, Township Clerk	Donna J. Guariglia, Mayor

INTRODUCTION: January 17, 2024 ADOPTION: February 21, 2024