RESOLUTION NO. 80-25

ADOPTING ITS FOURTH ROUND FAIR SHARE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION AND OTHER ACTIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Fair Housing Act P.L. 2024, c.2, ("FHA") the State of New Jersey adopted legislation addressing the Fourth Round of affordable housing for the period 2025 to 2035; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FHA, the Department of Community Affairs ("DCA"), published Fourth Round preliminary obligations for each municipality in October of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the DCA calculated the Township of Voorhees as having a present need or rehabilitation share of 289 units and a prospective need share of 206 units for the Fourth Round; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FHA, every municipality in the State of New Jersey has an obligation to adopt a binding resolution establishing its fair share affordable housing obligation for the Fourth Round by January 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township's affordable housing professionals have reviewed the present need and prospective share published by the DCA and have recommended that the Township adopt these amounts as its Fourth Round Fair Share obligation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee have reviewed this matter and agree to accept the recommendations of the Township's affordable housing professionals and take other necessary actions in connection with the FHA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Voorhees hereby establishes its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation as a present need or rehabilitation share of 289 units and a prospective need share of 206 units; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Voorhees's Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation is subject to vacant land adjustments and other amendments as may be provided for by law and the Township hereby reserves its right to adjust its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation; accordingly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township's affordable housing attorney is hereby authorized to file an action in the form of a declaratory judgment complaint and civil case information statement within 48 hours after the adoption of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township's affordable housing professionals shall submit the Township of Voorhees into the DCA affordable housing dispute program and take any other action necessary to comply with the FHA and implement its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation including, but not limited to defending any challenges to the Township's actions herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Township also authorizes its affordable housing professionals to prepare the appropriate Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as a component of the Township's Master Plan so that is filed with DCA on or before June 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the DCA and posted on the Township website upon its adoption.

DATED: JANUARY 27, 2025

MOTION: MS. NOCITO

SECONDED: MR: PLATT

AYES: 4

NAYS: NONE

PROVED BY:

ABSENT: MRS. FETBROYT

I, Dee Ober, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Voorhees, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Voorhees at their meeting of January 27, 2025, held in the Municipal Building, 2400 Voorhees Town Center, Voorhees, NJ 08043.

Dee Ober, RMC Township Clerk