## ORDINANCE 2023-5

## AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barnegat Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat in the County of Ocean finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous years final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barnegat Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$246,164 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barnegat Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding year.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat in the County of Ocean, New Jersey, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2022 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Barnegat shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased to 3.5% amounting to \$861,573 and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Township of Barnegat be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon; be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

## NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed by the Township Committee on first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023, and will be considered for second and final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee to be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, at 6:30 PM. at the Municipal Building located at 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, New Jersey, at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given the opportunity to be so heard.

Donna M. Manno, RMC Municipal Clerk

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna Manno, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify by my hand and seal that the foregoing Ordinance namely, Ordinance 2023-05 entitled An Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and establish a Cap Bank in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14 was introduced and passed on the 7th day of February 2023, and finally adopted after Public Hearing at a regular meeting held on the 7th day of March, 2023 in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, NJ and will take effect 20 days after publication in the Township newspaper.

> Donna M. Manno, RMC Municipal Clerk