## **RESOLUTION 2023-206**

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEAD GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, effective July 22, 2022, the New Jersey Legislature enacted P.L. 2021, c. 182, "An Act concerning certain lead-based paint hazard, and residential rental property, and establishing lead-based paint hazard programs, supplementing P.L. 2003, c. 311 (C. 52:27D-437.1 et al.) amending various parts of the statutory law, and making an appropriation;" and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(1), a municipality that maintains a permanent local agency for the purpose of conducting inspections and enforcing laws, ordinances, and regulations concerning buildings and structures, is required to inspect for lead-based paint hazards in certain specified single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwellings, at the time periods set forth in the statute; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(2) a municipality that does not maintain such a permanent local agency must hire a lead evaluation contractor, certified to provide lead paint inspection services by DCA, or enter a shared services agreement as permitted by law, for the purpose of conducting the inspections for lead-based paint hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Section 9 of P.L. 2021, c. 182, the State of New Jersey has allocated the sum of \$3,900,000 to effectuate the purposes of P.L. 2021, c. 182 (C. 52:27D-437.16). Further, pursuant to the FY 2023 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2022, Chapter 49), DCA received a grant-in-aid amount of \$3,900,000 for P.L. 2021, c. 182, for a total of \$7,800,000 in appropriations to effectuate the purpose of the Act.

**WHEREAS**, DCA has allocated \$7,000,000 of this appropriation to the development of the Lead Grant Assistance Program ("LGAP") for the issuance of grant funds to municipalities for the purpose of assisting in municipal compliance with P.L. 2021, c. 182.

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS), within DCA, administers the LGAP; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGAP exists to provide funding to help off-set the costs to municipalities to provide the required inspections at stipulated times of certain single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwelling units for lead-based paint hazards, pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 182; and

**WHEREAS**, an authorized municipal officer must execute the attached grant agreement in order to receive LGAP funding; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Barnegat desires to further the public interest by obtaining a pre-allocated grant of \$8,900 to assist in funding the inspection of residential dwellings for lead-based paint hazards; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Barnegat has reviewed the attached grant agreement and program requirements from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and desires to make an application for such a grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Governing Body of the Township of Barnegat does hereby authorize the Township Clerk Donna Manno to sign the attached grant agreement, and thus bind the Township of Barnegat to the grant agreement's terms in order to receive the \$8,900 grant from the DLGS;

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna Manno, Clerk of the Township of Barnegat in the County of Ocean, and the State of New Jersey do hereby Certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Barnegat at its meeting of June 8, 2023.

Donna M. Manno, RMC Municipal Clerk