**RESOLUTION #2021-29; RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER. NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF A BALLOT QUESTION AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2022**

***WHEREAS***, N.J.S.A. § 40A:14-85 authorizes the board of commissioners of a fire district to purchase a fire house, fire engines, apparatus, or other appliances for the extinguishment of fires and acquire lands or buildings or erect buildings for the housing of such equipment, or other buildings, including but not limited to, administrative, communications, or training buildings, or buildings for the maintenance of fire apparatus, at a cost not exceeding $60,000.00 or 2% of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the district, whichever amount is larger;

***WHEREAS***, N.J.S.A. § 40A:14-85 permits that the money may be raised by a bond issue, or through the creation of any other debt or liability, including, but not limited to, through a lease-purchase agreement;

***WHEREAS***, N.J.S.A. § 40a:14-86 mandates that the legal voters, at any election held for the purpose of raising money by issuance of bonds, shall vote by ballot on the question and if a majority of the legal voters voting on the question favor the issuance of such bonds the board of fire commissioners shall be authorized to issue them;

***WHEREAS***, the annual election of the legal voters of Deptford Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, New Jersey (“Fire District”) is to be held on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022 in the Fire District;

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** that in addition to the items to be considered at the annual election the following proposal (“the Proposal”) shall be submitted to the legal voters:

**PROPOSAL**

 Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Deptford Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, New Jersey (“Fire District”) be authorized to: (i) undertake a capital expenditure and improvement program consisting of: (a) the purchases of fire engines, apparatuses, or other appliances for the extinguishment of fires, and (b) renovations to the Fire District administration office; (ii) expend for all of the foregoing an amount not to exceed $4,000,000.00; and (iii) issue and sell bonds or bond anticipation notes of the Fire District, or in the alternative enter into a lease purchase agreement, for the foregoing purposes in an amount not to exceed $4,000,000.00.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Fire District hereby approves and adopts the Proposal set forth above and, subject to the approval of legal voters of the Fire District, hereby determines to carry out the same;

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that all actions heretofore taken and documents prepared or executed by or on behalf of the Fire District by the members of the Board, the Secretary, the Treasurer or by the Fire District’s professional advisors, in connection with the consideration of the Proposal at said annual election, are hereby ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted;

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that each member of the Board is hereby authorized to determine all matters and execute all documents and instruments in connection with the consideration of the Proposal at said annual election, and the signatures of any member of the Board on such documents or instruments shall be conclusive as to such determinations;

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the clerk of the Board of Fire Commissioners is hereby directed to post notices of this resolution and the time and place of the election in 10 public places, at least 10 days prior to the date of the election; and

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Board will duly publish this resolution in the Courier Post and the South Jersey Times, the official newspapers of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners on

December \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

 YES NO ABSTAIN

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MICHAEL WHITE, CHAIRMAN

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RAYMOND MACKAY JR., TREASURER

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JOSEPH NILSEN, SECRETARY

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GEORGE FRANK, COMMISSIONER

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ROBERT SHEAIRS, COMMISSIONER

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