TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON COUNTY OF HUNTERDON STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 151-2023

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON AND THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington, Warren County desires to contract with the Township of Lebanon for purposes of providing Animal Control Officer services to the Township of Lebanon; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon desires is authorized to enter a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Washington, Warren County for purposes of providing Animal Control Officer Services pursuant to the provision of Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:65-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has agreed to compensate the Borough of Washington, Warren County for said Animal Control Officer Services per annum as follows:

2024 - \$10,824.00

2025 - \$11,268.00

2026 - \$11,724.00

2027 - \$12,204.00

2028 - \$12,239.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington shall be the sole employer of the Animal Control Officer and related staff and be responsible for the administration and payment of salary and benefits and for the supervision of the Animal Control Officer and staff; and

WHEREAS, the term of the agreement shall commence on January 1, 2024, for the term of five (5) years until December 31, 2028, unless terminated sooner pursuant to the Termination Clause in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington has the capabilities to efficiently and economically provide the services required by the Township of Lebanon; and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall become effective upon adoption of the appropriate resolution by each governmental unit and execution of the agreement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 (c); and

WHEREAS, this agreement is in the best interest of the parties and it is the desire of the Township of Lebanon and Borough of Washington to enter into this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Lebanon and the Borough of Washington, Warren County, for Animal Control Officer Services is hereby approved and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township of Lebanon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agreement shall take effect upon adoption of an appropriate resolution by both parties and execution of said agreement by the parties in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:65-5(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and agreement shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 b.

Dated: December 20, 2023