## TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## **RESOLUTION No. 2024-019**

A motion was made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Councilwoman Holland that the following resolution be adopted::

## ENABLING RESOLUTION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, GREEN ACRES PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona has previously obtained a Green Acres grant of \$1,200,000 from the State to fund the following project(s): properties located at 111 Mount Prospect Avenue and 25 Commerce Court, in the Township of Verona; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona desires to further the public interest by requesting an additional Green Acres grant of \$2,508,000 to fund the project(s); and

**WHEREAS**, the State shall determine if the supplemental funding request is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the applicant of the amount of the funding award; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with its rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an Amendment of the Agreement with the State for the above-named project.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Verona that:

- 1. The Township Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to:
  - (a) Request such a loan and/or such a grant,
  - (b) Provide additional information and furnish such documents as may be required, and
  - (c) Act as the authorized correspondent of the above-named applicant
- 2. The applicant agrees to provide the local government/nonprofit share if a match is required.
- 3. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**ROLL CALL:** 

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2024.

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK