TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2024-034

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

AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA PLANNING BOARD TO UNDERTAKE AN AREA IN NEED OF REHABILITATION INVESTIGATION

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona ("Township") believes that economic growth and development is an important priority for the future of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1 et. seq. provides a mechanism to empower and assist local governments in efforts to promote programs of rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-4b, the Planning Board has the power to make recommendations concerning the determination of an area in need of rehabilitation pursuant to the criteria set forth in *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-14; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires the Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine if the Bloomfield Avenue corridor ("Study Area"), as described in the attached boundary map, and which is generally bounded by Sunset Avenue to the east, White Rock Road to the west and an irregular boundary along properties fronting on Bloomfield Avenue, qualifies as an area in need of rehabilitation pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A-12A-14.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Verona that the Verona Township Planning Board is hereby directed to conduct the necessary preliminary investigation, including the holding of a public hearing, to determine whether the study area is or is not an area in need of rehabilitation under the criteria set forth in *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1 et. seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Board shall submit its findings and recommendations to the Township Council in the form of a Resolution with supporting documentation.

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 22, 2024.

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK

