TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2020-108

A motion was made by Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilman Ryan that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2020 ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, all jurisdictions within Essex County have exposure to hazards that increase the risk to life, property, environment, and the County and local economy; and

WHEREAS; pro-active mitigation of known hazards before a disaster event can reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390) established new requirements for pre and post disaster hazard mitigation programs; and

WHEREAS; a coalition of Essex County municipalities with like planning objectives has been formed to pool resources and create consistent mitigation strategies within Essex County; and

WHEREAS, the coalition has completed a planning process that engages the public, assesses the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of natural hazards, develops a mitigation strategy consistent with a set of uniform goals and objectives, and creates a plan for implementing, evaluating and revising this strategy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey hereby adopts in its entirety, the 2020 Essex County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (the "Plan") as the Township's Hazard Mitigation Plan and resolves to execute the actions identified in the Plan that pertain to this jurisdiction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will use the adopted and approved portions of the Plan to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the hazards identified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will coordinate the strategies identified in the Plan with other planning programs and mechanisms under its jurisdictional authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will continue its support of the Mitigation Planning Committee as described within the Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all participants in this Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will incorporate mitigation planning as an integral component of government and partner operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will provide an update of the Plan in conjunction with the County of Essex no less than every five years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Essex County Office of Emergency Management and Tetra Tech.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: McGrath, Giblin, Ryan, Roman, McEvoy

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 THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 8, 2020.

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK