EXPLANATION: Resolution stating that the Governing Body of the Township of Bedminster has reviewed, at a minimum, the general comments and recommendations of the Registered Municipal Accountant on the Annual Audit for 2019.

BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION No.2020-092

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2018 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

> R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Township Committee of the Township of Bedminster, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

ATTEST: BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

By: _____ By: _____
Judith A. Sullivan, Clerk Lawrence F. Jacobs, Mayor

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, Judith A. Sullivan, Township Clerk of the Township of Bedminster, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a Regular Meeting of said Committee held on October 19, 2020.

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Judith A. Sullivan, Township Clerk

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CERTIFICATION OF GOVERNING BODY OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM

NO PHOTO COPIES OF SIGNATURES

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF SOMERSET

We, members of the governing body of the Township of Bedminster, in the County of Somerset, being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

1. We are duly elected members of the Township Committee of the Township of Bedminster in the county of Somerset;
2. In the performance of our duties, and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, we have familiarized ourselves with the contents of the Annual Municipal Audit filed with the Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6 for the year 2019;
3. We certify that we have personally reviewed and are familiar with, as a minimum, the sections of the Annual Report of Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations."

Lawrence F. Jacobs, Mayor (L.S.)

Douglas A. Stevinson, Committeeman (L.S.)

R. Colin Hickey, Committeeman (L.S.)

Renee Mareski, Committeewoman (L.S.)

Gina Lisa-Fernandez, Committeewoman (L.S.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

_____day of _____, 2020

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Notary Public of New Jersey

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Clerk

The Municipal Clerk shall set forth the reason for the absence of signature of any members of the governing body.

IMPORTANT: This certificate must be sent to the Bureau of Financial Regulation and Assistance, Division of Local Government Services, P.O. Box 803, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

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