Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 12/14/20 06:30 PM

2020 RESOLUTION DEDICATION

RESOLUTION: RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATED FRONTLINE HEALTHCARE WORKERS AT CLARA MAASS MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the Township of Bloomfield would like to recognize all the frontline workers who have been battling the COVID-19 pandemic since early March 2020; and

WHEREAS, in particular, the Township recognizes those who work in the Clara Maass Medical Center Emergency Department, who have been called upon to put their own lives on the line, as well as the health and safety of their loved ones, to carry out their critical mission of protecting the health and safety of our communities and minimizing the disruption COVID-19 has caused to our daily lives; and

WHEREAS, Clara Maass Medical Center Emergency Department and the Township have entered into a partnership to provide testing for staff when needed; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to keep operating and serving our community without delay, Clara Maass provided tests for all township employees following Thanksgiving to proactively protect our employees and residents; and

WHEREAS, the Clara Maass Medical Center serves as a primary local community hospital that continues to operate in spite of great challenges and stands ready to meet the needs of our community, COVID-19 or otherwise.; and

WHEREAS, the Township would like to recognize key members who have been instrumental throughout this partnership:

Mary Ellen Clyne, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of Clara Maass Medical Center

Donna DeVita, Director for Emergency Services

Dr. John Fontanetta, Medical Director for Emergency Services

Eduardo Padilla, Assistant Director Emergency Services

Bianca Michel, Assistant Director Emergency Services

Teresa DiElmo RN, MSN and Chief Nursing Officer

Christina Clark, RN, ED Coordinator

Dante Mustachhio, ED Technician

Shanice Smith, ED Technician

Jackelynn Umanso, ED Technician

Eddie Garcia, Operations Manager

Melissa Ghem, RN

Stephanie Korecky, RN

Lorena Lopez, RN

Debra Gutierrez, RN

Chalonda Hayes, ED Technician

Madonna Merene, RN

Jackieloe Ferrer-Labbao, RN

Aleksey Ikhelson, PA

Scott Moschberger, PA

Kelsey Vella, PA

Gina Derito, PA

Polly Spencer, Lab Supervisor

Junior Martinez, Plant & Engineering

the registration team and the laboratory

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the

Township of Bloomfield hereby recognize the efforts all doctors, nurses and staff have made to

help combat the COVID-19 Pandemic. Frontline healthcare workers have not been immune to

the suffering and we offer our sincerest condolences to their loved ones.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.
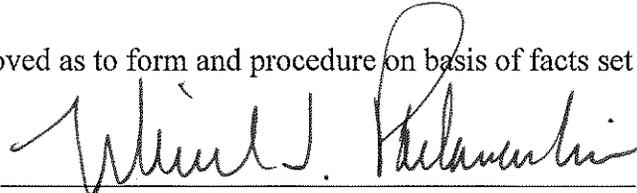
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Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information
for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that
the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey
Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

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Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of
the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on December 14, 2020.

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Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

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Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☐ Adopt ☐ Deny						
☐ Withdrawn	Jenny Mundell		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Table ☐ Not Discussed	Nicholas Joanow		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ First Reading	Sarah Cruz		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Table with no Vote	Wartyna Davis		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Approve ☐ Veto by Mayor	Ted Gamble		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Discussion	Richard Rockwell		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Defeated ☐ Discussion No Vote	Michael J. Venezia		☑	☐	☐	☐