

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUSAN SCHROEDER CLARK AS A
JUDGE OF THE MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL COURT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-5 and approval from the Assignment Judge of the Monmouth Vicinage of the Superior Court of New Jersey, the Township of Middletown (the "**Township**") maintains two municipal court judgeships; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4 and § 27-4 of the Township Code provide that municipal court judges shall serve a term of three years and until a successor is appointed and qualified, and shall be compensated at the rate or salary set forth in the Township's annual salary ordinance; and

WHEREAS, James E. Berube, Jr., Esq. serves as Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court to a term that was renewed on January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Stephen P. Monaghan, Esq. also serves as a Judge of the Municipal Court to a term that was renewed on January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2024, Stephen P. Monaghan, Esq. informed the Township that effective March 1, 2024, he will be resigning as a Judge of the Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4a, the Township wishes to fill the vacancy being left by Judge Monaghan's resignation with Susan Schroeder Clark, Esq. for the remainder of his term running through December 31, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that Susan Schroeder Clark, Esq. is hereby appointed to serve as a Judge of the Middletown Municipal Court for the remainder of Judge Monaghan's term through December 31, 2025, and shall be compensated during said term pursuant to the Township's applicable salary ordinance.