ORDINANCE NO. 2024-

TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

ORDINANCE AMENDING § 240-20 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN REDUCING NJ TRANSIT COMMUTER PARKING LOT FEES TO MITIGATE EXTRAORDINARY NJ TRANSIT FARE INCREASES

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (the "Township") owns, operates and maintains multiple parking lots that service NJ Transit commuters riding on trains and buses; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2024, the Board of Directors of NJ Transit voted to increase fares by 15%, with additional rate increases of 3% per year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to mitigate the impact of NJ Transit's extraordinary fare increases by reducing fees charged for parking at Township owned, operated or maintained commuter parking lots utilized by NJ Transit commuters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that § 240-20 the Code of the Township be and is hereby amended and supplemented, as follows:

SECTION 1. Amending § 240-20 Governing Fees for Vehicles and Traffic.

- A. Permit fee for the train parking lots, train station satellite lots and bus commuter parking lots. Permit fee schedule based on an annual permit for a single vehicle.
 - 1. The rates for permits to be sold for **2015** <u>the remainder</u> <u>of the 2024</u> calendar year and thereafter shall be:

Type of Permit	Permit Fee
Train Station Parking Lot	\$375 <u>\$315</u>
Satellite Train Lots	\$225
Bus Commuter Lots	\$130

- 2. Permit transfer: \$25.
- 3. Train lot late fee: \$50.
- 4. Permit replacement fee: \$100.
- B. Parking in parking meter or daily parking Lot 1: **\$6 <u>\$5</u>** per day.

[SECTION 2. Severability.

If any section, subsection or paragraph of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional, invalid or inoperative, in whole or in part, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such chapter, section subchapter or paragraph shall to the extent that it is not held unconstitutional, invalid or inoperative remain in full force and effect and shall not affect the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Repealer.

All ordinances and resolutions, and parts of ordinances and resolutions which are inconsistent with provisions of this ordinance shall be, and are hereby, repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption and approval pursuant to law.]