

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING DEED OF
OPEN SPACE EASEMENT FROM COUNTY OF
MONMOUTH FOR NORMANDY PARK (BLOCK 901, LOT
3)**

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (the “**Township**”) holds title to Normandy Park identified on the Township’s official tax map as Block 901, Lot 3 subject to certain Green Acres restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners (the “**County**”) has approved an Open Space Trust Fund and established a Municipal Open Space Program to provide Program Grant funds in connection with municipal acquisition of lands for County park, recreation, conservation and farmland preservation purposes, as well as for County recreation and conservation development and maintenance purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Township entered into a Municipal Open Space Program Grant Agreement with the County of Monmouth on August 26, 2021 that provided \$250,000 for the Normandy Park Improvement Project under Application No. 19-19 that required certain conditions be met by the Township prior to the receipt of funds; and

WHEREAS, one of those conditions requires the Township to accept a Deed of Open Space Easement from the County attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that it hereby accepts the form of Deed of Open Space Easement from the County attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and made part hereof and authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute the same and any ancillary instruments required in association with the recording of the same.