## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-**

## TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

## RESOLUTION AWARDING NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROVIDER

**WHEREAS**, the Township has found that it is beneficial to have in place an Employee Assistance Program, which is a third-party professional agency providing counseling and referral services for employees and their dependents, and the program has worked well for several years helping reduce the Township's health benefits and other costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to continue to retain the services of Preferred Behavioral Health Group, a non-profit organization, as its Employee Assistance Provider; and

**WHEREAS**, subject to the certification of availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer, Preferred Behavioral Health Group is qualified and has agreed to provide professional services in relation to the provision of employee assistance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that Preferred Behavioral Health Group of Lakewood, New Jersey is hereby awarded a contract for the provision of the Township's employee assistance program as needed during 2024 for an amount estimated not to exceed \$9,000, plus \$60 per employee session to which such services are provided.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement for the provision of such professional services, a copy of which shall be maintained by the Clerk and advertised in the Township's official newspaper pursuant to law.