BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON RESOLUTION 2024 – 2.10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION TO THE NJ CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM COMMUNITY ENERGY PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to ensure that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington strives to assure clean land, air and water for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 ("EMP") established that community-level action is necessary to achieve the state's goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has created a Community Energy Plan Grant program for municipalities to develop a community energy plan to meet the goals of the state's Energy Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington is invested in developing a community; and

WHEREAS, the Community Energy Plan Grant program will help the Borough of Pennington to plan for and invest in renewable energy and to work towards a better environment for all residents by using the state's Energy Master Plan (EMP) as a guide to develop sustainable strategies that increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut emissions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington has determined that the Borough of Pennington should apply for the aforementioned Community Energy Planning Grant program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Pennington will commit to providing staff support for the duration of the Community Energy Planning process, including for gathering of relevant data and for convening at least one public meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, State of New Jersey, authorizes the submission of the aforementioned application to the NJBPU Community Energy Planning Grant program.

| COUNCILMAN | AYE | NAY | N.V. | A.B. | COUNCILMAN | AYE | NAY | N.V. | A.B. |
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Record of Council Vote on Passage

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington at a meeting on <u>February 5, 2024.</u>