THE CITY OF ROCHELLE Ogle County, Illinois RESOLUTION NO. _____ A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ROCHELLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES' CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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WHEREAS, Section 7 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that a municipality that is not a home rule unit shall only have the powers granted to them by law and as such the City of Rochelle ("City"), Ogle County, Illinois being a non-home rule unit pursuant to the provisions of said Section 7 of Article VII, and may exercise only the powers expressly granted by law; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly granted non-home rule municipalities broad authority to "pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities." 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle ("City") through Rochelle Municipal Utilities ("RMU") provides utility services including electric and water to the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City most recently extended the RMU Customer Assistance Program on January 27, 2025, authorizing the program through April 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the RMU Customer Assistance Program allows RMU customers who are at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines to qualify annually for five hundred dollars (\$500) in financial assistance with their utility bills; and

WHEREAS, due to increased costs of living, the City now seeks to increase the annual program credit from five hundred dollars (\$500) to seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for qualifying customers; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Corporate Authorities of the City of Rochelle that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to increase the Utility Assistance Program Credit.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS:

<u>SECTION ONE</u>: That the City hereby incorporates all of the recitals above into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION TWO: The Corporate Authorities of the City of Rochelle, pursuant to their

authority and control over RMU, hereby approve and authorize an increase of the Utility Customer Assistance Program credit to seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) annually.

<u>SECTION THREE</u>: If any provision of this Resolution or application thereof to any person or circumstance is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this Resolution is severable.

<u>SECTION FOUR</u>: Where the conditions imposed by any provisions of this Resolution are more restrictive than comparable provisions imposed elsewhere in any other local law, ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, the regulations of this Resolution will govern.

SECTION FIVE: The City Clerk shall publish this Resolution in pamphlet form.

SECTION SIX: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED THIS 23 rd day of June, 2025.		
AYES:		
NAYS:		
ABSENT:		
APPROVED THIS 23 rd day of June, 2025.		
	MAYOR	
ATTEST:		
CITY CLERK		

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF OGLE)) SS.
COUNTY OF OGEL	,
	CERTIFICATE
I,	, City Clerk of the City of Rochelle, County of Ogle and State of
Illinois, DO HEREBY CER	TIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.
, "A RESOLUTION	N AMENDING THE ROCHELLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES'
CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE	PROGRAM" which was adopted by the Mayor and City Council of
the City of Rochelle on June 2	23, 2025.
IN WITNESS WHER	REOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the
City of Rochelle this 23 rd da	y of June, 2025.
	CITY CLERK