## **RESOLUTION 2024-227**

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM APPOINTING A TAX COLLECTOR AND UTILITY COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham desires to fill the position of Tax Collector and Utility Collector due to the resignation of the prior Tax Collector and Utility Collector as of October 15, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is appointed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 which states that "Notwithstanding any other law the governing body or chief executive, as shall be appropriate to the form of government of the municipality, by ordinance, shall provide for the appointment of a municipal tax collector and the compensation of the tax collector shall be fixed in the manner otherwise provided by law."; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is required to have the appropriate certificate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-145.7, which states: "Commencing on the effective date of P.L. 1993, c.25 (C. 40A:9-145.3a et al), no person shall be appointed or reappointed as tax collector in any municipality of this State unless he shall hold a tax collector certificate issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141, section 2 of P.L. 1979, c. 384 (C. 40A:9-145.2), and section 6 of P.L. 1993, c.25 (C. 40A:9-145.3a)."; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector's term of office is designated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142, which states: "Every municipal tax collector shall hold his office for a term of four (4) years from the first day of January next following his appointment. Vacancies other than due to expiration of term shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term."; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham has advertised the vacancy and received resumes that have been reviewed by the Township Administrator and Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, Kristin Walz is certified as a Tax Collector and is qualified to fill the position of Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator has recommended that it would be in the best interests of the Township to appoint Kristin Walz as Tax Collector and Utility Collector; and

WHEREAS, said appointment is for the unexpired term ending on December 31, 2027, and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to appoint Kristin Walz as Tax Collector and Utility Collector.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Kristin Walz is hereby appointed Tax Collector and Utility Collector for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2027 at a starting annual salary of \$98,000, pending satisfactory completion of a criminal background investigation, and subject to satisfactory completion of a probationary period of 180 days.

Adopted: November 12, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

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Attest:

regory J. LaConte, Clerk

Stacey Ewald, Mayor