TOWNSHIP OF BURLINGTON PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-13 of the Municipal Land Use Law (the "MLUL"), the Township of Burlington Planning Board will conduct a public hearing at the Municipal Building of the Township of Burlington located 851 Old York Road Burlington Township, NJ 08016 at 7:00 p.m. on June 12, 2025 to hear public comment on the adoption of the Township's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (hereinafter "HEFSP" or "Plan"), which will amend the Township's Master Plan. After public comment, the Planning Board shall consider adoption of the Plan by way of resolution.

The proposed HEFSP was prepared in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-28(b)(3) of the MLUL and the mandatory requirements of a Housing Element under the recently amended New Jersey Fair Housing Act (P.L. 2024, c.2, hereafter, FHA II), relevant regulations of the New Jersey Council On Affordable Housing ("COAH"), and other applicable law. The HEFSP also delineates the actions taken, and to be taken, by the Township to satisfy its affordable housing responsibilities under applicable laws.

The HEFSP, an element of the Township's Master Plan, describes how the Township will meet its fourth-round affordable housing obligation through various compliance mechanisms. The Township's affordable housing obligation was determined pursuant to a procedure established by FHA II. That procedure culminated in a mediation agreement between the Township and Fair Share Housing Center, Inc. Pursuant to that Mediation Agreement, the Township's prospective need for Round 4 is 235. Its present need, also known as its rehab obligation, will be decided in conjunction with the Township's efforts to secure approval of its HEFSP after filing same with the Program, an entity created by FHA II.

A copy of the proposed HEFSP of the Township's Master Plan, and any other relevant documents, are on file for public inspection starting on Monday, June 2, 2025 and available Monday through Friday in the at the Municipal Building of the Township of Burlington located at 851 Old York Road Burlington Township, NJ 08016, during regular business hours. Any party interested in commenting on the HEFSP may do so at the public hearing or may submit written comments to the Planning Board prior to the public hearing date.

Jennifer Field Planning Board Secretary