ORDINANCE #02-25

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A JOINT COURT TO BE KNOWN AS "THE FRANKFORD JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Walpack, County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1.

- 1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement establishing a Joint Municipal Court known as "The Frankford Joint Municipal Court" pursuant to the authority granted to the municipality by N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1 et seq. The Agreement is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and its terms and conditions are incorporated herein by reference, as though set forth at length.
- 2. This Ordinance will be effective upon the adoption of reciprocal Ordinances by the governing bodies of all participating municipalities, the Township of Frankford, the Township of Lafayette, the Township of Sandyston, the Township of Montague, the Township of Walpack and the Township of Hampton.
- 3. The Joint Municipal Court heretofore existing and known as The Municipal Court of Frankford, Lafayette, Sandyston and Montague/Walpack shall be abolished and its function, powers and duties, records, property and pending cases shall be transferred to the new Joint Municipal Court established herein on January 1, 2026, subject to approval by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Presiding Judge.
- **Section 2. Severability**. If any section, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid by any court, such decision shall not invalidate any remaining portion of this Ordinance.
- **Section 3.** Codification. This Ordinance shall not be codified in the Township Code, but may be reflected as a "New Law' in the Township's electronic code.
- **Section 4. Effective Date**. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in the manner provided by law.
- **Section 5.** Repealer. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

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SECOND READING

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance #02-25 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A JOINT COURT TO BE KNOWN AS "THE FRANKKFORD JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT" was read and passed on second reading at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Walpack held on April 29, 2025.

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Christine M. Von Oesen Walpack Municipal Clerk