

MAYOR and COUNCIL of the
BOROUGH of HO-HO-KUS
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION # 25-77

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE
2025 HOUSING ELEMENT AND
FAIR SHARE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, (hereinafter, "Ho-Ho-Kus") has a demonstrated history of voluntary compliance with its constitutional affordable housing obligations; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Phil Murphy signed into law P.L. 2024, c.2, an Amendment to the 1985 Fair Housing Act (hereinafter "Amended FHA" or "Act"); and

WHEREAS, among other things, the Act abolished the Council on Affordable Housing (hereinafter, "COAH"), and replaced it with seven retired, on recall judges designated as the Program and authorized the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, (hereinafter, respectively, "Director" and "AOC") to create a framework to process applications for affordable housing compliance certification; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and to Directive #14-24 issued by the Director on December 13, 2024, a municipality desiring to participate in the Program was obligated to take the following actions by January 31, 2025: (1) adopt a "binding resolution" determining its present and prospective need affordable housing obligations and (2) to file an action in the form of a declaratory judgment complaint in the County in which the municipality is located within 48 hours after the municipality's adoption of a binding resolution; and

WHEREAS, Ho-Ho-Kus adopted a binding resolution on its present and prospective need affordable housing obligations and filed the required declaratory judgment action in a timely

manner; and

WHEREAS, the Act also requires that a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (hereinafter, "HEFSP") be prepared and adopted by the Ho-Ho-Kus Planning Board (hereinafter, "Planning Board"), and endorsed by the Ho-Ho-Kus Governing Body (hereinafter, "Governing Body"), by June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board adopted the HEFSP entitled "Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, Fourth Round Plan, Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, Bergen County, New Jersey" prepared by Clarke Caton Hintz dated April 25, 2025 ("2025 HEFSP"), on May 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to endorse 2025 HEFSP adopted by the Planning Board on May 8, 2025,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby endorse the 2025 HEFSP adopted by the Planning Board on May 8, 2025.

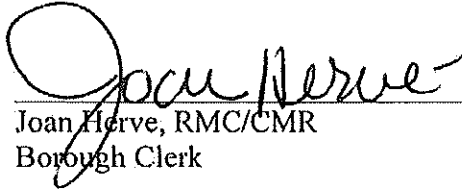
2. The Governing Body does hereby authorize the filing of this Resolution endorsing the 2025 HEFSP adopted by the Planning Board on eCourts for review by the Program.

3. The Mayor, Clerk, and Borough Attorney, together with other appropriate officers and employees of Ho-Ho-Kus, are hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Randall						
Councilmember Troast	x		x			
Councilmember Shell		x	x			
Councilmember Iannelli						x
Councilmember Crossley			x			
Councilmember Policastro			x			
Councilmember Moran			x			

This is to certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council on **June 24,**
2025


Joan Herve, RMC/CMR
Borough Clerk