

TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE SHADE

RESOLUTION 2025-R-128

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLE SHADE ENDORSING THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE MAPLE SHADE PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed P.L. 2024, c.2 into law, which amended the 1985 New Jersey Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, for ease in reference, this resolution shall refer to the Fair Housing Act as amended as "FHA II"; and

WHEREAS, FHA II established a procedure by which municipalities can secure approval of a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("HEFSP") and secure immunity while developing and seeking approval of a Plan; and

WHEREAS, that procedure contemplated that municipalities would adopt a resolution by January 31, 2025 committing to a fair share number and filing a declaratory relief action within 48 hours from adoption of the resolution and then filing a HEFSP by June 30, 2025 with the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (the "Program") within 48 hours of adoption of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Township asked its affordable housing planning consultant, Michael Davis, PP/AICP, of Heyer & Gruel Associates to prepare a HEFSP to address the Township's affordable housing obligations under FHA II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis, prepared a HEFSP and the Maple Shade Planning Board adopted the HEFSP which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the procedure established by FHA II, the Township's Affordable Housing Counsel filed the duly adopted HEFSP with the Program within 48 hours from adoption; and

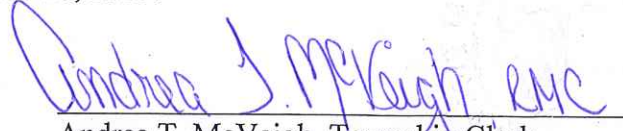
WHEREAS, the Township now wishes to endorse the HEFSP adopted by the Maple Shade Planning Board and seek approval of the HEFSP by the Program and Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Maple Shade, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Council hereby endorses the HEFSP previously adopted by the Maple Shade Planning Board and attached hereto.
2. The Township Council hereby directs the Township's Affordable Housing Counsel to (a) file this resolution with the Program, along with any additional documents the professionals deem necessary or desirable; and (b) seek a Compliance Certification from the Program or Vicinage area judge as may be appropriate formally approving the Plan.
3. The Township reserves the right to further amend the HEFSP attached hereto, should that be necessary.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Maple Shade Township Council at a meeting held on June 26, 2025.


 Andrea T. McVeigh, Township Clerk

DATE: June 26, 2025

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Kauffman			x				
Nunes		x	x				
Simonsick			x				
Zahradnick	x		x				
Talarico			x				