CITY OF UNION CITY COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN ADDRESSING THE FOURTH ROUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS FOR THE CITY OF UNION CITY

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2024, c.2, which amended various provisions of the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq. ("Amended FHA"); and

WHEREAS, the Amended FHA sets forth that the Fourth Round period of affordable housing obligations shall run from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2035 ("Fourth Round" or "Round Four"); and

WHEREAS, the Amended FHA requires, among other things, that municipalities prepare and adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan on or before June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Administrative Office of the Courts issued Administrative Directive #14-24, dated December 13, 2024, which established additional procedures for municipalities compliance with the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2025, a Decision and Order Fixing Municipal Obligations for "Present Need" and "Prospective Need" for the Fourth Round Housing Cycle was issued by the Court, on referral from and recommendation issued by the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program ("Program") (the "Decision and Order"), which established the City of Union City's affordable housing obligation as having a Present Need of 2,088 affordable housing units and a Prospective Need of 0 affordable housing units; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Amended FHA, the Planning Board of the City of Union City has adopted a Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan for the City of Union City in compliance with the Decision and Order on or about June 24, 2025 after duly noticing the public hearing on June 24, 2025 in compliance with the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1, *et seq.*, specifically N.J.S.A. 40:55D-13; and

WHEREAS, the City Planners, Heyer Gruel & Associates, have prepared the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan which was reviewed and approved by the Planning Board of the City of Union City; and

WHEREAS, by the adoption of this Resolution, the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, hereby endorse the Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and directs Corporation Counsel to file the City's Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and resolutions with the program in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:27D-304.1(f)(2)(a) and Directive #14-24.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City do hereby endorse the Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan for the City of Union City dated June 12, 2025, prepared by Heyer Gruel & Associates, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; Corporation Counsel is authorized to file the City's Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and resolutions with the program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-304.1(f)(2)(a) and Directive #14-24;

I, Hilda Rosario, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Union City, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, New Jersey, at a meeting held on June 27, 2025. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I, the said Deputy City Clerk hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the City, on this 27th day of June, 2025.

Hilda Rosario, Deputy City Clerk