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**VIA ECOURTS**

Honorable Janine M. Allen, J.S.C.  
Superior Court of New Jersey  
Sussex County Judicial Center  
43-47 High Street, 3rd Floor  
Newton, New Jersey 07860

**Re: In the Matter of Mount Arlington Borough**  
**Docket No.: MRS-L-177-25**

Dear Judge Allen:

Pursuant to the instruction received today by the Administrative Office of the Courts, I am uploading an identical copy of the Borough's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, previously uploaded on May 30, 2025, and labeled as a "certification".

Respectfully Submitted,

*/s/ Jessica CM Almeida*

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT  
ARLINGTON, a Municipal Corporation of  
the State of New Jersey,  
  
Plaintiff/Petitioner

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION: MORRIS COUNTY  
**DOCKET NO. MRS-L-0177-25**  
Civil Action  
(Mount Laurel)

**CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL**

I, Jessica CM Almeida, Esq., hereby certify and say:

1. I am a Partner with the law firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, attorneys for Plaintiff/Petitioner the Borough of Mount Arlington in this declaratory judgment action.
2. On January 21, 2025, the Borough Council adopted Resolution 2025-40, accepting the obligation set forth in the “Affordable Housing Obligations for 2025-2035 (Fourth Round) Methodology and Background” (the “**DCA Report**”) by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the “**DCA**”).
3. Pursuant to the Administrative Directive #14-24, dated December 13, 2024 (the “**Directive**”), implementing the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (the “**Program**”), the Borough filed this action in the Superior Court of Morris County on January 22, 2025.

4. On April 24, 2025, the Honorable Janine M. Allen, J.S.C., the designated Mount Laurel Judge for the Morris Vicinage, entered an order setting the Borough's Present Need Obligation as 38 and the Prospective Need Obligation as 60, as set forth in the Binding Resolution No. 2025-40

5. On May 28, 2025, the Land Use Board of the Borough of Mount Arlington adopted the attached Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("**HEFSP**"), attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

6. In accordance with the Directive, the Borough is hereby filing the HEFSP with the Program.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Dated: May 30, 2025

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