

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, beginning in September 2020, the Township of West Orange entered into a groundbreaking relationship with Mental Health Association of Essex and Morris, Inc. (“MHA”), whereby MHA trained professionals accompanied the Township’s police officers on certain calls involving mental health and related issues; and

WHEREAS, the program has been successful and is now being showcased by other law enforcement organizations; and

WHEREAS, the program was for an initial period of six months, ending March 31, 2021, at a monthly cost of \$5,000; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to continue this program for the balance of the year, from April 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, at a total cost of \$40,000; and

WHEREAS, MHA has provided a detailed report which explains the work that has been done and the results thereof;

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, that the collaborative relationship between MHA and the Township Police Department shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2021, in accordance with the proposal set forth herein; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution and the Proposal shall be maintained by the
Municipal Clerk of the Township of West Orange.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Township Clerk

Cindy Matute-Brown
Council President

Adopted: May 4, 2021

I hereby certify funds are available from: _____
Account No./Amount

John Gross, Chief Financial Officer