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November 10, 2026

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, this year the Essex County Country Club (the Club"), located at350 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, West Orange, New Jersey 07052, has arranged for Santa Claus to arrive to meet the Club members and their guests in attendance for a holiday celebration; and

WHERAS, this year's annual Santa Claus events are scheduled for: **Sunday, December 6, 2026**, at approximately 11:00 a.m.; and

WHERAS, unfortunately, Santa's reindeer, Rudolph et al., are not available for the trip at this time of year as they must be well-rested in preparation for their big Christmas Eve event; and

WHERAS, Santa Claus has again graciously managed to make arrangements to travel by small helicopter to attend the Club's annual holiday celebration; and

WHERAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, Inspection & Aircraft Operation, not wanting to be Scrooge-like, does permit and has in the past permitted helicopter landings such as these on country club property when approved pursuant to its application process; and

WHERAS, Richard LoMonte, the General Manager and agent for the Club, will prepare the required Application for Temporary Aeronautical Facility License for submission to the New Jersey Department of Transportation, and which must be accompanied by, among other documents and things which the Club will provide, a "letter, statement, or certificate from the appropriate governing body which states there is no objection to the issuance of a temporary license (mandatory for all temps);" and

WHEREAS, if the date(s) of Santa's arrival needs to be moved or changed for any reason, including but not limited to weather conditions, the Club shall have permission from the Township for the new dates so long as the Township Police Department and Township Fire Department are advised at least two (2) business days in advance of Santa's newly scheduled arrival.

WHERAS, for this event, the appropriate body is the Township Council of the Township of West Orange; and

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of West Orange, does and hereby states that it has no objection to the issuance of a Temporary Aeronautical Facility License to Essex County Country Club, located at 350 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052, for the purpose of permitting transportation and delivery of Santa Claus to the Club at approximately 11:00 a.m., on the following day: **Sunday, December 6, 2026**, at approximately 11:00 a.m. for participation in the Club's traditional Christmas celebrations; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be made available in the Clerk's office for reasonable inspection in accordance with applicable law.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C. **Municipal Clerk**	**Susan Scarpa** **Council President**

Adopted: November 10, 2026