TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE ORDINANCE NO. 2017-19

An Ordinance of the Township of Florence Amending Section 140-48 of the Code of the Township of Florence Establishing Water and Sewer Rates within the Township of Florence

WHEREAS, Chapter 140 of the Code of The Township of Florence, entitled Water and Sewer, sets forth, in Section 140-48 the fees relating to water and sewer use in the Township of Florence, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that it is necessary that the fees should be amended.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Florence that:

Section 1. Section 140-48.B.(1) of the Code of the Township of Florence is hereby repealed and replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

All flow in excess of the minimum, as defined, shall be charged at a rate of \$5.75 per 1,000 gallons. For all commercial and industrial users who exceed 12,000,000 million gallons of usage in a quarter, the full excess rate shall be \$4.51 per 1,000 gallons. For all commercial and industrial users who exceed 28,000,000 million gallons of usage in a quarter, the full excess rate shall be \$3.20 per 1,000 gallons.

Section 2. Section 140-49.E of the Code of the Township of Florence is hereby repealed and replaced in its entirety to ready as follows:

Users with sewerage pretreatment facilities which have been approved by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) shall install a sewer effluent meter, which meter and the location of its installation shall be approved by the Water and Sewer Engineer. Effluent meters shall be maintained at the owner's expense and shall be calibrated on a quarterly basis, proof of which shall be provided to the Township Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Department. Users with NJDEP-approved sewer pretreatment facilities shall be assessed at a rate of \$4.80 per 1,000 gallons of effluent discharge into the Florence Township sewerage treatment system. On a quarterly basis, all commercial users with a sewer treatment unit that reduces solids being discharged into the municipal wastewater system and use more than

28,000,000 gallons per quarter, the full excess rate shall be charged at a rate of \$3.84 per 1,000 gallons.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Florence heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and the revised rates shall be reflected in the next billing for all classes. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

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