## TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON BY ADDING A SECTION ENTITLED "BANNING PRIVATE/PERSONAL USE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY OR PERSONNEL"

## **ORDINANCE NO. 25-2005**

WHEREAS, the Township of Westampton ("the Township") places the public trust above all else and remains steadfast in its commitment to the highest ethical standards and the conduct of its business on behalf of the taxpayers of the Township of Westampton; and

WHEREAS, the Township has been operating pursuant to a self-imposed ban regarding private use of Township property, equipment or personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to codify this ban as a further example of the Committee's commitment to the highest ethical standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Westampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Township Ethics Policy be amended, effective immediately, to include the following provisions:

## SECTION 1. PROHIBITION OF PRIVATE USE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL

No Elected Official, Department Head, or Employee of the Township of Westampton shall use or permit the use of any Township property, equipment, or personnel for the private use of any person or entity, unless:

A. The use is specifically authorized by the New Jersey State Law or existing Township Policy and Procedure;

B. The use is available to the general public; and then, only to the extent and upon the terms that such use is available to the general public; and

C. This policy shall be incorporated as part of the existing Township Ethics Policy.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.** If for any reason any section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

I, Donna Ryan, Clerk of the Township of Westampton, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Township Committee on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ 5

Donna Ryan, Clerk