MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO.: <u>O-8-2024-017</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING A MIDBLOCK CROSSWALK ON APPLEGARTH ROAD (COUNTY ROUTE 619), TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-8 permits a municipality to establish certain regulations in the interest of public safety and the expedition of traffic along roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council feels it would be appropriate to establish a midblock crosswalk along Applegarth Road ('Crosswalk') between Prospect Plains Road and Cranbury Half Acre Road to improve safety for pedestrians and bikers that cross Applegarth Road due to the absence of a sidewalk connection between these intersections; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and County Engineer have reviewed the proposal of installing the Crosswalk and have concluded that the Crosswalk is needed to provide a safe crossing for pedestrians when crossing Applegarth Road; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and County Engineer have concluded that this Location offers adequate sight distance pursuant to the standards established by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, which distance will permit a driver to observe and safely stop before reaching the Crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and County Engineer propose that the Crosswalk be installed with supplemental signs and striping that will serve to enhance the safety of this crosswalk.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF MIDBLOCK CROSSWALK ON APPLEGARTH ROAD

- 1. The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a mid block crosswalk at a location that is open to the public or to which the public is invited as set forth below.
- 2. The midblock crosswalk shall be established pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-8, which confers upon a municipality the right to establish certain regulations in the interest of public safety and the expedition of traffic on roadways under the municipality's jurisdiction, and N.J.S.A. 40:49-2, which establishes the procedure for the establishment of same.
- 3. The location herein is designated as a midblock crosswalk:

Name of Street Applegarth Road

Location: From a point approximatley 1,150 feet north of the northerly curbline of Cranbury Half Acre Road and extending 10 feet northerly therefrom, said location to coincide with the westerly sidewalk on Applegarth Road and the sidewalk section on the easterly side of Applegarth Road extending from the Encore residential development.

- 4. Crosswalk markings and regulatory and warning signs shall be erected and maintained by Middlesex County to effect the above designated midblock crosswalk in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and guidelines established by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.
- **SECTION 2**. At least three copies of said full Ordinance are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk for public examination and acquisition. Copies are available for inspection or acquisition during regular weekday working hours and arrangements have been made for the publication of said proposed Ordinance in pamphlet or other similar form which will be available for purchase from the Township Clerk.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or any part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance not directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

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Councilman Dipierro			X			
Councilman Markel			X			
Councilwoman Siegel	X		X			
Council V. President Van Dzura		X	X			
Council President Cohen			X			

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 5, 2024. Said Ordinance will again be read and considered for final passage at the next scheduled meeting of the Monroe Township Council to be held on September 4, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831. At said time and place all persons having an interest in the foregoing Ordinance will be granted an opportunity to be heard concerning the same prior to consideration for final passage by the Council.

CHRISTINE ROBBINS, Township Clerk

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COUNCIL		SECOND			ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Dipierro		×	X			
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MAYORAL APPROVAL

By virtue of the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1950 and Chapter 3, Section 19 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, my approval of this Ordinance is effected by the affixing of my signature hereto.

STEPHEN DÁLINA, Mayor

Date signed:	9/5	120a4