TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-24

AN ORDINANCE TO PERMIT QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES UNDER THE AGE OF 21 TO OPERATE TOWSNHIP VEHICLES WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF OVER 20,000 POUNDS

WHEREAS, Chapter 275 of the Township Code of the Township of Stillwater provides at §275-1A that: "Any person who operates a Township-owned motor vehicle where the vehicle is under the control of the Township's Department of Public Works, a fire department or rescue squad of the Township of Stillwater (collectively referred to as "Township department"), shall possess a valid driver's license for a minimum of three years, be at least 21 years of age, have successfully completed the required driver training required by such Township department, and not have their driving privileges revoked or restricted by a Township department" and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater wishes to modify the requirements of §275-1A to permit the Township Committee to request and receive approval from the Township's Risk Manager to allow an employee that does not meet the age or three-year license requirements of §275-1 A to operate Township-owned motor vehicles where that employee has significant experience that demonstrates their qualifications to drive said vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, that the Township Code shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1

Chapter 275 of the Township Code of the Township of Stillwater shall be amended so that the current section designated as §275-1C will be redesignated as §275-1D to make room for a new §275-1C:

SECTION 2

Chapter 275 of the Township Code of the Township of Stillwater shall be amended to add the following new section designated as §275-1C:

Notwithstanding §275-1A and 1B, the Township Committee shall have the authority to request and receive written approval from the Township's Risk Manager to allow an employee that does not meet the age or driver's license time requirements of §275-1A or 1B to operate Township-owned motor vehicles under the control of a Township department, where that employee has significant experience that demonstrates that they are qualified to operate said vehicles. Any such employee must still successfully complete the required driver training required by such Township department and must not have their driving privileges revoked or restricted by any Township department.

SECTION 3

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF STILLWATER TOWNSHIP

ATTEST:

Lynda Knott, Township Clerk

George E. Scott, Mayor

DATED: Introduced: November 15, 2022

Adopted: December 6, 2022