



Date Adopted

Committee

June 3, 2020

Administrative

**CALENDAR YEAR 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY ENTITY TO EXCEED THE COUNTY ENTITY BUDGET
REQUEST CAP (P.L. 2015, c.249)**

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.249 requires a county entity to submit a budget request to the county governing body that is comprised of two parts: the amount to be raised by property taxation, and the amount to be funded wholly through federal or State funds, fees raised by the county entity, or other sources; and

WHEREAS, the term “county entity” means a county board of taxation, office of the county superintendent of election, office of the county board of election, office of the county register of deeds and mortgages, office of the county clerk, office of the county surrogate, office of the county prosecutor, and county sheriff’s department; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.249 limits the increase in the portion of a county entity budget request funded by property taxation to no more than two percent (2%) of the previous year’s budget request, subject to certain limited exceptions; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the budget request submitted by the Sheriff’s Office and Surrogate’s Office of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem finds it advisable and necessary for purposes of health, safety and welfare to authorize the Sheriff’s Office, Surrogate’s Office, Board of Elections, Board of Taxation, and County Clerk’s Office to increase its appropriations beyond the maximum permitted by the budget request cap set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem hereby determines that a 2.3 % / \$72,170, and 10.6% / \$30,001 increase beyond the maximum increase permitted by the budget request cap set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249, is advisable and necessary for the Sheriff’s Office and Surrogate’s Office. The Freeholder Board agrees that the increase beyond the limit set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249 to become the base from which county entity budget request increases in subsequent years are to be measured; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem has determined that a 2.3 % / \$72,170 for the Sheriff’s Office and a 10.6% / \$30,001 increase for the Surrogate’s Office beyond the maximum increase permitted by the budget request cap set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249 shall not cause the County of Salem to exceed the levy caps set forth in 1977 and 2010 levy cap laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.45 respectively).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem, a majority of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Sheriff’s Office and of the Surrogate’s Office, shall, in accordance with this resolution, be increased by 2.3% / \$72,170 for the Sheriff’s Office and 10.6% / \$30,001 for the Surrogate’s Office in excess of the increase in the portion of the budget request funded by property taxation otherwise permitted P.L. 2015, c.249, and that said increase shall be presented as part of the county budget submission to be approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs; and,


BENJAMIN H. LAURY, Freeholder Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem on June 3, 2020.


STACY L. PENNINGTON
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

FREEHOLDER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
G. Ostrum, Jr.	✓		✓			
C. Hassler			✓			
L. Ware			✓			
R.S. Griscom		✓	✓			
B. Laury			✓			

✓ Indicates Vote

Department Initials _____