



Board of County Commissioners

Administrative Committee

**RESOLUTION FOR THE COUNTY OF SALEM TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR DIVISION OF ELECTIONS-EARLY VOTING 2021 ELECTION REIMBURSEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, on March 30, 2021, the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey enacted P.L.2021, c.40 (C.19:15A-1 et al.), an act requiring early voting to be available for certain elections, amending various parts of the statutory law, supplementing Title 19 of the revised Statutes, and making an appropriation (the "Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, certain provisions of the Act provide for reimbursement by the State for the additional direct expenditures incurred by the County under the provisions of the Act upon application and approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the upcoming election on November 2, 2021 will include in-person early voting as specified in the Act and the Parties will therefore require certain revisions and changes to elections procedures to implement the requirements of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act increases expenses for county election offices that may not be staffed or funded for such increased expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the increased costs include voting machines and e-poll books, as well as training equipment and support, postage, printing, publications, supplies and additional staff resources in the form of overtime for both current staff and temporary staff, poll workers, rent and early voting site needs, transportation, PPE, and network support, required to implement the measures necessary to implement early voting for the election scheduled for November 2, 2021 and for primary and general elections going forward; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has determined that it is in the best interests of the State to use a portion of its budgeted funds to provide advance funding to county election offices to implement the measures necessary pursuant to the Act (the "Program"), subject to final reconciliation for purposes of reimbursement pursuant to section 6 of P.L.2021, c.40 (C.19:15A-6); and

**WHEREAS**, the County is in agreement with the terms and conditions contained in the attached Memorandum of Understanding.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Salem County Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to execute the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Salem and the New Jersey Department of State for Division of Elections-Early Voting 2021 Election Reimbursement.

  
BENJAMIN H. LAURY, Director of the Board of County Commissioners

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on September 15, 2021.

  
STACY L. PENNINGTON  
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
G. Ostrum, Jr.	✓		✓			
E. Ramsay			✓			
L. Ware			✓			
R.S. Griscom		✓	✓			
B. Laury			✓			

✓ Indicates Vote

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