



Board of County Commissioners

Administrative Committee

**CALENDAR YEAR 2024 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, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem finds it advisable and necessary for purposes of health, safety and welfare to authorize the Sheriff's Office and Surrogate's Office to increase its appropriations beyond the maximum permitted by the budget request cap set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249; and

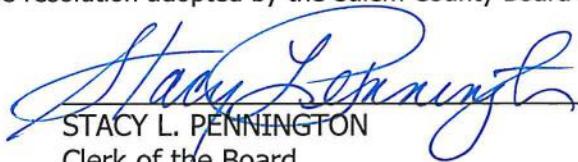
**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem hereby determines that a 5.9% / \$230,863 (Two Hundred Thirty Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixty Three Dollars and Zero Cents) for the Sheriff's Office and 12.2% / \$36,123 (Thirty Six Thousand, One Hundred Twenty Three Dollars and Zero Cents) for the Surrogate's Office increase beyond the maximum increase permitted by the budget request cap set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249, is advisable and necessary. The Board of County Commissioners agrees that the increase beyond the limit set forth in P.L. 2015, c.249 to exceed the limit imposed by the cap for the current year only; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem has determined that a 5.9% for the Sheriff's Office and 12.2% for the Surrogate's Office increase 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 RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Salem, a majority of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Sheriff's Office and Surrogate's Office shall, in accordance with this resolution, be increased by 5.9% / \$230,863 (Two Hundred Thirty Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixty Three Dollars and Zero Cents) for the Sheriff's Office and 12.2% / \$36,123 (Thirty Six Thousand, One Hundred Twenty Three Dollars and Zero Cents) 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,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, alongside all other documents required to be submitted with the introduced county budget.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on May 1, 2024.

  
 STACY L. PENNINGTON  
 Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Ramsay		✓	✓			
C. Taylor			✓			
D. Timmerman			✓			
G. Ostrum Jr.	✓		✓			
B. Laury			✓			

✓ Indicates Vote

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