

**ORDINANCE 2023-03**  
**CALENDAR YEAR 2023**  
**MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION**  
**LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**  
**(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Township of Oxford in the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Oxford hereby determines that a 1.0 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ 11,993.17 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

**WHEREAS** the Township of Oxford hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Governing Body of the Township of Oxford, in the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2023 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Oxford shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$41,976.10, and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Township of Oxford be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

**NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed by the Township Committee on the first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford, held January 18, 2023, and will be considered for a second reading and final passage at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on February 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal

Building, located at 11 Green Street, Oxford, NJ, at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given the opportunity to be so heard.

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Laurie Courter, CMC, RMC  
Township Clerk

I, Laurie Courter, Clerk of the Township of Oxford, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford on February 15, 2023

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Laurie Courter, Clerk

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