AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN, SECTION 16-60.23 "SEWER USER CHARGES" EXHIBIT A

WHEREAS, the Township of Aberdeen (the "Township") maintains Section 16-60.23 entitled "Sewer User Charges" of the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council determined it is in the best interests of the Township residents to amend and supplement the Township Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Township of Aberdeen that:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated in their entirety, as if restated herein.

Section 2. Section 16-60.23 Exhibit A of the Township Code, entitled "Sewer User Charges," be and is hereby amended and supplemented by deleting the text in **bold strikeout** and adding the text in **bold underlined** as follows:

I. SEWER USE CHARGES

- a. The annual sewer use fee is \$672.00 \text{ \$728.00} per Equivalent Domestic Customer Unit (EDCU).
- b. The annual sewer use fee shall be filled quarterly, in four (4) equal amounts.
- c. The number of EDCU's per property shall be determined based on property use in accordance with Schedule 1 set forth below.
- d. The use of a property shall be determined based on official designations in records of the Township of Aberdeen, and any change in use which could result in a reduction in the number of EDCU's must be certified by the Township of Aberdeen.
- e. Reduction in Fee for Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-10.1 and N.J.S.A. 40A:31-10.1, the sewerage and water rate schedules for residential usage only shall be reduced by fifteen (15%) percent for residents over sixty-five (65) years of age, and those residents less than sixty-five (65) years of age who are permanently and totally disabled according to the provisions of the Federal Social Security Act, or disabled under any Federal law administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs if the disability is rated sixty (60%) percent or higher, and that permanently and totally disabled resident either is annually eligible to receive assistance under

the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled program, or has a total income not in excess of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars per year exclusive of benefits under any one of the following: the Federal Social Security Act; any other program of the Federal government; or any pension, disability or retirement programs of any State or its political subdivisions or agencies thereof for persons not covered under the Federal Social Security Act.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 4. Repeal of Prior Ordinances. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication as provided by law.

| Introduced: June 6, 2024 | | | |
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| Adopted: June 20, 2024 | | | |
| ATTEST: | | Township of Aberdeen | |
| | By: | | |
| Melissa Pfeifer | | Fred Tagliarini | |
| Municipal Clerk | | Mayor | |