AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION," ARTICLE XIV ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY," OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER, SECTION 4-83 PROMOTIONS, A (6) SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE CHIEF OF POLICE SHALL RESIDE WITHIN A TWENTY-FIVE MILE RADIUS OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP POLICE HEADQUARTERS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:14-118 provides that a Township must provide by ordinance for the appointment, term of office and compensation for Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-83, Promotions, A (6) provides that the Chief of Police shall reside within a twenty-five mile radius of the Bridgewater Township Police Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires to eliminate the aforesaid geographical restriction;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey that Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey entitled "Administrative Organization," Article XIV entitled Department of Public Safety is hereby modified so as to amend sections 4-83, Promotions, A (6) so as to eliminate the requirement that the Chief of Police shall reside within a twenty-five mile radius of the Bridgewater Township Police Department;

ALL DELETED LANGUAGE IS IN ITALICS AND BRACKETS; ALL REMAINING LANGUAGE IS NOT CHANGED IN ANY WAY

SECTION I

4-83 Promotions

A. Promotion to Chief of Police

(6) [Upon appointment and during his/her term, the Chief of Police shall reside within a twenty-five mile radius of Bridgewater Township Police Headquarters]

SECTION II

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

SECTION III

All ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION IV

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to this section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Adopted: November 25, 2019 Effective: December 26, 2019