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**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION  
TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN TAX  
BLOCK 331, LOT 53 OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN**

**WHEREAS**, the "Local Lands and Buildings Law," N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5, provides that a municipality may acquire "any real property ... [b]y purchase, gift, devise, lease, exchange, condemnation, or installment purchase agreement"; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Camden hereby determines that it is necessary and in the public interest to acquire certain property for the public purpose of remediating environmental contamination; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., the City of Camden is hereby authorized to condemn the real property hereinafter described pursuant to the provisions of the "Eminent Domain Act of 1971," N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq.,

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Camden as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Pursuant to the provisions of the "Local Lands and Buildings Law," N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., the City of Camden is hereby authorized to condemn the real property hereinafter described pursuant to the provisions of the "Eminent Domain Act of 1971," N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq., as follows:

Block 331, Lot 53 on the City of Camden Tax Map, consisting of approximately 2140 SF, for the public purpose of the remediating environmental contamination.

**SECTION 2.** The proper officials or representatives of the City of Camden, are hereby authorized and instructed to negotiate in good faith with the owners(s) of the aforementioned property to seek the voluntary acquisition of this property for its fair market value.

**SECTION 3.** In event that such negotiations are not successful, the Mayor of the City of Camden or his designees are hereby authorized and instructed to take such actions as may be necessary to acquire the aforementioned property through the exercise of eminent domain as permitted by law.

**SECTION 4.** The Mayor of the City of Camden or his designees and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents and take such actions as may be necessary in order to carry out the purpose and intent of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after its final passage and publication as provided by law.

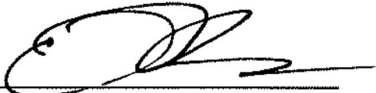

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency only.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27BBB-23 and N.J.S.A. 40:69A-41, a true copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the Mayor, who shall have ten (10) days from the receipt thereof to approve or veto this Ordinance. Additionally, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27BBB-23, a true copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the State Commissioner of Community Affairs, who shall have ten (10) days from the receipt thereof to veto this Ordinance, and the action by the Commissioner regarding this Ordinance shall supersede any action by the Mayor on the same Ordinance. All notices of approval and/or veto shall be filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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Date of Introduction: March 12, 2024

The above has been reviewed  
and approved as to form.

  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** *April 19, 2024*

**TO:** *Victor Carstarphen, Mayor*

**FROM:** *Luis Pastoriza, Municipal Clerk*

**RE:** *Ordinance Final Passage – (MC-5495)*

**An Ordinance Authorizing condemnation to acquire certain real property situated in tax Block 331, Lot 53 of the City of Camden**

In accordance with Rule XIX of the Administrative Code of the City of Camden (Rules of Procedure governing the City Council), I am delivering to you the attached ordinance adopted by City Council at a **Regular** meeting held on **4-9-2024**. Said article provides that "each ordinance shall be returned by the Mayor to the Municipal Clerk after the Mayor has affixed his /her signature thereto or after the expiration of **ten (10) days** from the date of its delivery to the Mayor in any event."

<b>OFFICE OF THE MAYOR</b>	
Received by: _____	Date: _____
Date of Approval: _____	_____