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### TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE

### ORDINANCE 2023-16

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 36, SECTION 4 (HOURS OF SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES) OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE TO ALLOW FOR EARLY SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON SUNDAYS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SALE OF FOOD

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Florence in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

**ARTICLE I: AMENDED SECTIONS.** Chapter 36, Section 4 (Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced to read as follows

## Section 36-4 HOURS OF SALE

- A. No licensee shall sell, serve or deliver, allow, permit or suffer the sale, service or delivery of any alcoholic beverage upon or from the licensed premises **except during the hours set forth below:** 
  - 1. Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses
    - (a) Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning;
    - (b) Sunday from 12:00 noon to 2:00 a.m. the following morning; provided however that a licensee may begin the sale of alcoholic beverages at 9:00 a.m. if sold in conjunction with prepared food for consumption on premises (i.e. onsite meals).
  - 2. Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses
    - (a) Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and
    - (b) Sunday from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m.
  - 3. Club Licenses
    - (a) Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning; and
    - (b) Sunday from 12:00 noon to 2:00 a.m. the following morning
- 4. On New Year's Day Plenary Retail Consumption License and Club Licenses may be open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. the following morning.
- B. During the hours that the consumption of alcoholic beverages upon the licensed premises is prohibited by this chapter, the entire licensed premises shall be closed to all persons except the licensees or employees who clean or perform other necessary work in or about the premises during such prohibited hours; and the entire interior of the bar

or business room or any other room where alcoholic beverages are sold, delivered or consumed shall be kept open to full view of the public thoroughfare or from adjacent rooms to which the public is freely admitted. The closing-of-premises requirement shall not apply to (i) club licenses which may remain open for business, except for the sale, service or delivery of alcoholic beverages, during the hours prohibited by this chapter or (ii) hotels, restaurants as defined in N.J.S.A. 33:1-1t, or to clubs as set forth in N.J.S.A. 33:1-12, Subsection 5, and State Regulation No. 7.

# ARTICLE TWO. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- 1. Repealer. Any and all other Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- 2. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Council hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.

3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

NANCY LERLSTON, RMC

TOWNSHIP CLERK

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Take Notice that the Ordinance identified amending Chapter 36, Section 4 (hours of sale of alcoholic beverages) of the Township Code of the Township of Florence to allow for early sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays in conjunction with the sale of food has received final adoption by the Township Council and was approved by the Mayor of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, following a public hearing held on August 2, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Copies of the full Ordinance are on file with the Township Clerk of the Township of Florence in the Municipal Complex. The ordinance is posted on the township's website www.florence-nj.gov

Nancy L. Erlston, RMC Township Clerk

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AUGUST (a, 2023)

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