TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE

No. 23-040

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TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

DATE TO MAYOR OCT. 4, 2023 DATE RESUBMITTED TO COUNCIL DATE EFFECTIVE October 25,2023

FACTUAL CONTENTS CERTIFIED TO BY

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART 1, ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 5, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, PART 4, DEPARTMENTS, ARTICLE XI, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO INCLUDE §5-64 VOLUNTEER FIRE CHAPLAIN(S)

Be It Ordained by the Council of the Township of Hamilton, in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, that the *Code of the Township of Hamilton, New Jersey*, Part I, *Administration Legislation, Chapter 5, Administration Legislation, Chapter 5, Administration Legislation, Chapter 5, Administration Context and State of Public Safety* To Include §5-64 Fire Chaplain, be amended and supplemented to include the following:

§5-64 Volunteer Fire Chaplain(s)

- A. <u>The position of the Volunteer Fire Chaplain(s) for the Hamilton Township Fire Division is hereby created.</u> The position of Volunteer Fire Chaplain(s) shall be a member of the Hamilton Fire Division and under the direction of the Chief of the Hamilton Township Fire Division or his/her delegate. There is no rank, salary or benefits accorded to the Volunteer Fire Chaplain(s).
- B. <u>The Chief of Hamilton Fire Division may appoint one or more persons as Fire Chaplain.</u> <u>He/She shall be a clergyperson in good standing in the religious body from which he/she</u> <u>is selected.</u> The religious body must have a physical presence within Hamilton Township <u>or a neighboring municipality within Mercer County.</u>
- C. <u>The duties of the Volunteer Fire Chaplain(s) shall include</u>, but not be limited to assisting the Hamilton Township Fire Division personnel and their families in times of need, when requested to respond to the scene of Fire Division operations, to assist the Officer in Command as directed, and any other duties that may be assigned by the Fire Chief.
- D. <u>All communications, conversation and interactions with others, in the context of spiritual guidance or pastoral care, must be kept in strict confidence by the Fire Chaplain.</u>
- E. <u>A person appointed as a Fire Chaplain shall serve at the will and pleasure of the Fire Chief</u> and serve in the capacity of a Fire Chaplain until he/she is terminated.
- F. <u>The Township of Hamilton, by virtue of creating this position, does not establish a religion</u> for the Township.

Any Ordinance or Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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