ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04

TOWNSHIP OF HOLMDEL

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13, TITLED "PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES," TO ESTABLISH DR. ROBERT WILSON PARK, COMPRISED OF BLOCK 27, LOTS 6 AND 6.01 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLMDEL

WHEREAS, the Township of Holmdel recently completed the acquisition of the Crawford Hill property, comprised of Block 27, Lots 6 and 6.01 in the Township of Holmdel, along with the Horn Antenna, which is located on same, all of which is to become a municipal park; and

WHEREAS, the property was the site of the 1964 discovery of cosmic microwave background radiation by Dr. Robert Wilson and his research partner, Dr. Arno Penzias; and

WHEREAS, Wilson and Penzias received the 1978 Nobel Prize in Physics for their discovery, which is viewed as crucial evidence in support of The Big Bang, the event that generated the universe 13.7 billion years ago; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilson has served as a longtime active member of the Holmdel community; and

WHEREAS, the Holmdel Township Committee believes it is appropriate to name this new municipal park in honor of Dr. Wilson, one of the Township's most dedicated residents, whose immeasurable contributions to science have given the Crawford Hill property its historic status.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Holmdel in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13-5 of the Revised General Ordinances is hereby established as follows:

13-5 DR. ROBERT WILSON PARK

13-5.1 Establishment.

- a. There is hereby established the Dr. Robert Wilson Park.
- b. Dr. Robert Wilson Park is comprised of that property constituting Block 27, Lots 6 and 6.01 on the official tax map of Holmdel, including the Horn Antenna located on same.
- c. Dr. Robert Wilson Park is dedicated in honor of Dr. Robert Wilson, a longtime resident of the Holmdel community, whose immeasurable contributions to science have given the property its historic status. In 1964, the property was the site of the discovery of cosmic microwave background radiation by Dr. Robert Wilson and his

research partner, Dr. Arno Penzias. Wilson and Penzias received the 1978 Nobel Prize in Physics for their discovery, which is viewed as crucial evidence in support of The Big Bang, the event that generated the universe 13.7 billion years ago.

SECTION 2. Severability.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Repealer.

All ordinances and resolutions, and parts of ordinances and resolutions which are inconsistent with provisions of this ordinance shall be, and are hereby, repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with law.

LEGAL NOTICE

Publication by Summary Pursuant to N.J.S.A.40:49-2

This Ordinance amends Chapter 13 to establish Dr. Robert Wilson Park.

LEGAL NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Holmdel held on January 23, 2024 and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a meeting of said Township Committee to be held on February 13, 2024 at Township Hall, 4 Crawfords Corner Road, Holmdel, NJ at 7:30 PM at which time and place all persons desiring to be heard thereon will be given full opportunity.

Rocco Impreveduto, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L Patrovich, RMC/CMR Township Clerk I certify that this is a true copy of an ordinance that was adopted at the February 13, 2024 Township Committee Meeting.

Wendy L Patrovich, RMC/CMR Township Clerk