

**ORDINANCE 56-2023**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON APPROPRIATING \$125,000.00 FROM THE MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF THE MADISON MASONIC LODGE, 170 MAIN STREET**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to purchase the Madison Masonic Lodge, 170 Main Street; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has previously been generously awarded a \$1,000,000.00 grant from resident Martin Heller for the purchase of the Masonic Lodge; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$125,000.00 from the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Space Advisory Committee has unanimously recommended the full funding of this request; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of funds in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 for this purpose in the Open Space Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1: The amount of \$125,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund towards the cost of purchasing the Madison Masonic Lodge.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED  
November 27, 2023

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ROBERT H. CONLEY, Mayor

Attest:

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ELIZABETH OSBORNE, Borough Clerk

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