ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT CHAPTER 54, PEACE AND GOOD ORDER, IS AMENDED TO THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, that Chapter 54, Peace and Good Order, is amended to the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, as follows:

ARTICLE I. SECTION 54-4.1 Possession of firearms prohibited; exceptions.

No person shall possess a firearm on any municipally owned building, municipal property, or municipal park or grounds, with the exception of:

- A. Any law enforcement officer who is authorized to carry a firearm (on or off duty); or
- B. Any retired law enforcement officer who is authorized to carry a firearm under 18 U.S.C. 926C(c) (Federal Law Enforcement Officer Safety Act, a.k.a. LEOSA); or
- C. Any person who receives permission in writing by the Chief of Police of the Borough of Merchantville.

ARTICLE II. SECTION 54-12 Violations; penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey statute, every person, firm, association or corporation violating any provision of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the fines and/or penalties as are set forth in Chapter 1-9 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville. Each day that a violation occurs shall be deemed a separate and distinct violation subject to the penalty provisions of this Chapter.

ARTICLE III.

All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

ARTICLE IV.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

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The foregoing ordinance was introduced by Mayor and Council at its regular meeting held on November 21, 2022. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption on final reading and public hearing to be held on December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room, Merchantville Borough Hall, 1 West Maple Avenue, Merchantville, New Jersey.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to prohibit, with certain exceptions, the possession of a firearm on Borough owned or controlled buildings and grounds. A copy of this Ordinance is available at no charge to the general public between the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Mondays through Fridays (Legal Holidays excluded) at the Office of the Borough Clerk, Merchantville Borough Hall, 1 West Maple Avenue, Merchantville, New Jersey.