TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN EASEMENTS DEDICATED ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 14, LOT 29 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM RYLAND INN PROPERTY, LLC

Ordinance # 06-2021

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Readington does hereby accept the dedication of the following easements over a portion of Block 14, 29 in the Township of Readington being granted by the property owner Ryland Inn Property, LLC as more particularly set forth in the metes and bounds descriptions set forth within the easement documents which are on file in the office of the Readington Township Clerk at the municipal building, 509 Route 523, Whitehouse Station and may be inspected during regular business hours by calling the Municipal Clerk for an appointment at (908) 534- 4051:

(a) <u>Conservation Easement.</u> The purpose of the conservation easement is to preserve and restrict from disturbance the existing white post and rail paddock-style fence and turf grass field between the front parking area and Old Hwy 28 so that it remains essentially "as is" except for certain utility facilities which have received approval from the Planning Board as of the date of this easement, and except for the possible installation of a public walkway as described in Section 1 (b) below. The easement grants the Township the right but not the obligation to access, maintain, inspect or otherwise exercise enforcement and other rights over the easement area and the Township accepts this dedication under those circumstances.

(b) <u>Walkway Right of Way Easement.</u> The purpose of the walkway right of way easement is to convey to the Township the right to construct and maintain a public walk-way/sidewalk within the easement area which has been set aside for the conservation easement referenced in Section1(a) above in order to complete a pedestrian connection between the eastern terminus of the approved sidewalk in front of the Ryland Inn and the approved open space tract which will abut the Ryland Inn on its eastern boundary, as more particularly described within the easement document.

Section 3. The above-described easements are being acquired pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-3, 4 and 5, et seq. If the provision of any article, section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such Order or Judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any such article, section, subsection, paragraph or clause and, to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication

according to law and upon recording the easement and this Ordinance in the Hunterdon County Clerk's Office.

A TRUE COPY OF WHICH ORDINANCE IS PRINTED ABOVE WAS INTRODUCED AT THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ON *APRIL 5, 2021* AND THAT IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON TO CONSIDER PASSAGE OF SAID ORDINANCE AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE TO BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 509 ROUTE 523, WHITEHOUSE STATION, NEW JERSEY, ON *APRIL 19, 2021* AT 7:45 P.M. AT WHICH TIME AND PLACE, OR AT ANY TIME OR PLACE TO WHICH THE MEETING SHALL BE FROM TIME TO TIME ADJOURNED AN OPPORTUNITY WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS WHO MAY BE INTERESTED THEREIN TO BE HEARD CONCERNING SAID ORDINANCE.

> KARIN M PARKER, *RMC* MUNICIPAL CLERK