WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE No. 8-2022

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY TO AMENDING CHAPTER 203 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON ENTITLED "SOLICITORS AND CANVASSERS"

WHEREAS, the residents have brought to the attention concerns regarding solicitation in the residential neighborhoods of the Township; and

WHEREAS, Township has reviewed Chapter 203 of the Township <u>Code</u> entitled "Solicitors and Canvassers" and has determined that said Chapter needs to be updated to better protect the public from potentially dishonest or inappropriate vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Township makes these revisions keeping in mind an individual's right to fundamental protections under the U.S. and New Jersey Constitutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Council of the Township of Westampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Chapter 203 of the <u>Township Code of the Township of Westampton</u> entitled "Solicitors and Canvassers" be and is hereby amended to add section 203-12 as follows:

Section 1. Section 203 Solicitors and Canvassers shall be amended to include below:

§203-12 No Knock Registry.

- (A) There is hereby established a No Knock Registry to be maintained and updated monthly by the Township Clerk, including a list of addresses of premises within the Township where the owner or occupant has notified the Township that canvassing, soliciting, peddling, vending and door-to-door sales are not permitted on the premises.
- (B) Residents seeking to be placed on the No Knock Registry may annually register in person or by electronic means to be established by the Township, upon payment of an annual processing fee of \$5. The annual processing fee for a senior citizen or veteran is \$1. Upon registration, the resident will be issued a sticker to display at their premises indicating their emollment on the No Knock Registry, which the resident shall prominently post for the year registered. The annual registration expires on December 31 of each year.
- (C) A printed or electronic copy of the No Knock Registry shall be provided to each registered solicitor or canvasser under this article by the Township Clerk during normal business hours. It shall be the obligation of the registered solicitor or canvasser to obtain a current, up-to-date copy of the No Knock Registry in effect at the time of canvassing and soliciting.
- (D) Any registered solicitor or canvasser disregarding or violating the No Knock Registry shall be banned from receiving a registered solicitor or canvasser for one calendar year from the date of violation, and subject to applicable penalties set forth in §203-10 of the Township Code. The existence or nonexistence of a "No Knock" sticker on the premises shall

not be a defense to the requirements of this article.

- **Section 2.** All Ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency
- **Section 3.** If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or provision and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2023.

Roll Call Vote -10/04/2022							
Committee	Introduced	Seconded	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Member							
Burkley	X		X				
Carr		Х	Х				
Cook-Wright			Х				
Mayor Henley			X				
Mungo			Х				

Roll Call Vote - 10/18/2022							
Committee Member	Introduced	Seconded	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Burkley		Х	X				
Carr			Х				
Cook-Wright			Х				
Mayor Henley			Х				
Mungo	X		Х				

Adopted upon final reading on

October 18, 2022

Mayor Sandy Henley

Attest

Wendy Gibson Acting Township Clerk



Township of Westampton

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WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP NO-KNOCK REGISTRATION FORM 2024

Please fill out all information on this form and submit at the Clerk's Office. Remember to attach a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We will mail you your No-Knock sticker and a copy of the Ordinance. If you don't provide a stamped envelope, you will need to come to the Municipal Building to pick it up. Please print neatly.

<u>Homeowners Name</u> :				
<u>Address</u> :				
Phone Number:				
Email Address:				
For Administrative Pu	rposes Only:			
Fee Assessed:		_		
Date Filed:		-		
Initials:				