

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE GRACE PERIOD FOR THE
PAYMENT OF SECOND-QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES**

WHEREAS, Coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is a contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, pursuant to Executive Order No. 103, the Governor of the State of New Jersey has declared the concurrent invocation of both a State of Emergency pursuant to N.J.S.A. App.A.:9-33 *et seq.* and a Public Health Emergency as contemplated by N.J.S.A. 26:13-1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2020, Executive Order No. 119 was issued by the Governor declaring that the Public Health Emergency declared in Executive Order No. 103 continues to exist; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has created significant negative effects on the economy resulting in mass unemployment; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, Executive Order No. 130 was issued by the Governor allowing a governing body of a municipality with a calendar year budget cycle to adopt a resolution instituting a grace period for the payment of second-quarter taxes concluding no later than June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to the financial effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mayor and governing body of the Township of Robbinsville wish to exercise the opportunity provided pursuant to Executive Order No. 130 to extend the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes to June 1, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes, pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order No. 130, the extension of the grace period for the payment of second-quarter taxes to June 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution 2020-100 shall also reflect that interest for unpaid second-quarter taxes shall not begin to accrue until after June 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, the Township’s Department of Finance, and the Tax Collector within three business days of the adoption of this resolution.

I certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville at a meeting held on May 8, 2020.

Michele Seigfried, Municipal Clerk