GLOUCESTER SALEM CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION #2022-2\(\rightarrow\)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING COCKERILL, CRAIG & MOORE, LLC

WHEREAS, the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (TRICOJIF) has been organized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the TRICOJIF find that it is necessary and appropriate to obtain certain legal services so that the claims filed against the member municipalities of the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and for which the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund is obligated to provide a legal defense may be properly defended; and

WHEREAS, the TRICOJIF, under the "Fair and Open" process, issued and advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on August 13, 2021 for Assigned Defense Counsel for 2022 to be submitted by September 17, 2021, and Craig Annin Baxter, LLP with John C. Grady, Esquire, Jeffrey S. Craig, Esquire and Paul D. Kelly, Esquire as Assigned Defense Counsel responded to the RFQ and was awarded a Contract with the Fund on January 24, 2022; however, as of May 2, 2022, Craig Annin and Baxter, LLP was dissolved and the new law firm of Cockerill Craig & Moore, LLC was established at the same address and telephone number as the prior firm with John C. Grady, Esquire, Jeffrey S. Craig, Esquire and Paul D. Kelly, Esquire becoming partners of the new firm; and

WHEREAS, since Craig Annin Baxter, LLP dissolved and the new firm of Cockerill Craig & Moore, LLC, was formed, began operation and replaced Craig Annin Baxter, LLP as of May 2, 2022 with the same Assigned Defense Counsel, it is deemed to be in the best interest of the TRICOJIF that John C. Grady, Esquire and Jeffrey S. Craig, Esquire and Paul D. Kelly, Esquire of Cockerill Craig & Moore, LLC be designated as Assigned Defense Counsel and awarded a Contract under the "Non-Fair and Open" process to provide legal services as a member of the General Liability Defense Panel for 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund assembled in a public session on May 23, 2022, that the following law firm and attorneys are hereby designated as Assigned Defense Counsel for the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and shall be awarded a Contract for 2022 under the "Non-Fair and Open" process:

General Liability Claims:

Cockerill Craig & Moore, LLC with John C. Grady, Esquire, Jeffrey S. Craig, Esquire and Paul D. Kelly, Esquire as Assigned Defense Counsel at a rate of \$170.00 per hour of attorney time, and a Paralegal rate of \$90.00 per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the assignment of specific claims for defense shall be made by the Fund Solicitor and the Claims Administrator for the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund who shall supervise and coordinate the defense of matters in accordance with the policies determined by the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rates of compensation in the Litigation Management Policy of the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund are hereby amended to comply with the rates set forth in this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the copies of this Resolution shall be provided to the Administrator, Solicitor, and Claims Administrator of the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and those herein appointed for their information and attention.

This Resolution was duly adopted by the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund at a public meeting held on May 23, 2022.

GLOUCESTER SALEM CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT

INSURANCE FUND

Secretar

Date: May 23, 2022