

R-20-079
TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR

RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR 2ND QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES

May 5, 2020

WHEREAS, in light of the dangers posed by Coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”), Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 103 (2020) on March 9, 2020, which declared both a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency; and the Governor subsequently on April 7, 2020, issued Executive Order No. 119 (2020) which declared that the Public Health Emergency declared in Executive Order No. 103 (2020) continues to exist; and

WHEREAS, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-66(a), the Township’s second-quarter property taxes are due May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s property taxpayers may be suffering from one or more financial hardships caused by or related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to a substantial loss of or drop in income and additional expenses such as those relating to necessary healthcare; and

WHEREAS, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-67(a), the Township has previously established a grace period running through May 11, 2020 for second-quarter property taxes; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 130, which authorized the governing body of a municipality with a calendar year budget cycle to adopt a resolution instituting a grace period concluding on a date no later than June 1, 2020 for the payment of second-quarter property taxes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Montclair, that pursuant to the authority provided by Governor Murphy’s Executive Order, no interest shall be charged on any payment of 2nd quarter 2020 property taxes paid on or before June 1, 2020; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Deputy Municipal Clerk shall notify the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the adoption of this resolution not later than the third business day next following the date hereof.