## TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL ORDINANCE 482-21

## CONCERNING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"

**WHEREAS**, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:14-118 provides that:

"Any such ordinance, or rules and regulations, shall provide that the chief of police, if such position is established, shall be the head of the police force and that he shall be directly responsible to the appropriate authority for the efficiency and routine day to day operations thereof. . . . "; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 2-14.2 of the Township Code designates the Township Committee as the appropriate authority; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-14.3 of the Township Code goes on to provide that:

"The Township shall appoint a Chief of Police who shall have all the powers set forth in *N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118* and shall be directly responsible to the Administrator for the efficiency and routine day-to-day operations of the Police Department . . . "; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 2-14.3 violates the clear language of *N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118* and should be amended;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that section 2-14 entitled "Police Department" in Chapter 2 of the Township Code entitled "Administration" is hereby amended as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 2-14.3 entitled "Chief of Police; Powers and Duties" is amended to read as follows:

"The Township shall appoint a Chief of Police who shall have all of the powers set forth in *N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118* and he shall be directly responsible to the Administrator Township Committee as the appropriate authority for the efficiency and routine day-to-day operations of the Police Department."

- **Section 2.** Any and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.
- **Section 3.** In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from

the remainder or any portion thereof.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

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