RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A QUITCLAIM DEED CONVEYING AND ACCEPTING NINE (9) PROPERTIES SET FORTH IN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA" or "Superfund"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, specifically Section 104(j) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(j), acquired nine residential properties located at 822 Essex Street, 826 Essex Street, 830 Essex Street, 607 Brown Street, 615 Brown Street, 617 Brown Street, 222 Morris Street, 406 Hunter Street, and 2 Klemm Avenue (the "Properties"), all located in Gloucester City, New Jersey ("City") as part of the remediation of the radiological soil contamination at the Welsbach/General Gas Mantle Superfund Site ("Site"); and

WHEREAS, EPA, after acquiring the Properties, demolished the houses on the Properties and remediated the radiological contamination present in soils on the Properties in accordance with the Record of Decision (ROD) for Operable Unit 1 (OU1) of the Site, dated July 23, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Superfund State Contract between EPA and the State of New Jersey ('State') for the Site requires the State to accept transfer of the Properties from EPA upon completion of the remediation of the radiological soil contamination on the Properties as called for by the OU1 ROD; and

WHEREAS, the City is a municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State; and
WHEREAS, the State through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has
authorized the City to accept transfer of the Properties directly from EPA on the State's behalf; and

WHEREAS, EPA and the City desire that the Properties be sold and returned to beneficial use and the municipal tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, EPA and the City agree to share in the Sales Proceeds from the Properties, and EPA agrees to transfer the Properties in consideration of the compensation described as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding between the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. The Mayor and City Solicitor of the City of Gloucester City are hereby authorized to execute Quitclaim Deed and cause same to be recorded in the Office of the Camden County Clerk and shall be further authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the purposes thereof including the sale of properties set forth in the MOA.

Bayl R. Baile, Mayor City of Gloucester City

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester this August 28, 2023.

Vanessa L. Little, Registered City Clerk