## TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK RESOLUTION

## Authorizing the Municipal Contribution to Youth Sports Organizations and Memorializing Support Related to the 2025 Youth Sports Festival

**WHEREAS,** the North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival ("YSF") is a nonprofit organization that provides supplemental funding to youth sports groups in North Brunswick, including Adams Athletic Club Football and Cheerleading, the North Brunswick Soccer Association, the North Brunswick Baseball & Softball Association, and the North Brunswick Basketball Association; and

**WHEREAS,** these organizations provide direct support to the Township through facility maintenance and the purchase of sporting equipment; and

**WHEREAS,** the organizations, acting together under the Youth Sports Festival, make an annual application to the Township to host the Sports Festival (held since 2000), which requires the use of municipal services; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 19-09, which amended Township Code §166-1 et seq., "Public Entertainment" is defined as an event not hosted by the municipality but anticipating a large gathering, including but not limited to circuses, carnivals, fairs, festivals, concerts, exhibitions, car shows, parades, fundraisers, and multi-team sporting events; and

**WHEREAS,** under Chapter 166, applicants are responsible for the costs of all municipal services, including but not limited to Public Works, Parks, the Office of Emergency Management, the Board of Health, Water, Fire Official services, and extra-duty Police services; and

**WHEREAS,** in May 2025, pursuant to Resolution 160-5.25 and Section 166 of the Township Code, the Township approved the large-event application for the June 2025 Youth Sports Festival; and

**WHEREAS,** in August 2025, the Youth Sports Festival requested that the Township waive municipal Public Works fees in the amount of \$7,693.83, citing the use of its proceeds to support youth programs and municipal operations; and

**WHEREAS**, in September 2025, the Township granted said waiver of Public Works fees in the amount of \$7,693.83; and

WHEREAS, the Township does not directly administer certain youth sports programs and relies upon community organizations—North Brunswick Baseball & Softball Association, North Brunswick Soccer Association, Adams Athletic Club, and North Brunswick Basketball Association—to provide these activities to residents; and

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**WHEREAS,** the primary purpose of the Youth Sports Festival is to raise money to support these youth sports organizations, thereby ensuring adequate funding for quality sports programs while reducing reliance on taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS,** in September 2025, the four organizations requested reimbursement/contribution toward youth programming costs; and

**WHEREAS,** §166-7C(2) requires a dollar-for-dollar valuation of municipal support that the applicant agrees to provide within 12 months following the event; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Resolution 287-9.24 (adopted 2024), the Township determined that future reimbursement/contribution to youth sports organizations will be made in the form of direct payment rather than through the Festival; and

**WHEREAS,** it is understood between the Township and the Youth Sports Organizations that, for the 2025 calendar year, the Township will provide \$20,000.00 to each of the four organizations, which shall constitute the final Township contribution for 2025 related to the Youth Sports Festival and affiliated organizations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The request for reimbursement/contribution to the North Brunswick Baseball & Softball Association, the North Brunswick Soccer Association, Adams Athletic Club, and the North Brunswick Basketball Association is approved in the amount of \$20,000.00 each (total \$80,000.00).
- 2. These direct contributions shall be deemed the Township's final contribution for 2025 relating to the Youth Sports Festival and affiliated organizations and shall satisfy the Township's obligation for dollar-for-dollar municipal support valuation under §166-7C(2) for the 2025 event.
- 3. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue payment(s) upon certification of the availability of funds and receipt of any required documentation (W-9, and proof of good standing as non-profit), to be charged to 6-01-28-369-000-203.

Cavel Gallimore, Chief Financial Officer

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	Approved as to legal form		

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RICH						
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