

**ORDINANCE NO. 12-2025**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING, EXTINGUISHING AND VACATING THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN A PORTION OF A PAPER STREET LOCATED ADJACENT TO BLOCK 96, LOT 83 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER AND COMMONLY KNOWN AS RAMADA DRIVE**

**WHEREAS**, there exists adjacent to Block 96, Lot 83 of the Township of East Hanover a paper street known as Ramada Drive, which includes, at the northeast end, a 12,220 square foot cul-de-sac bulb, as shown and more fully described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof (the "Cul-De-Sac Bulb"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that the Cul-De-Sac Bulb serves no public purpose and requires unwarranted maintenance costs by the Township of East Hanover. The Township Council has further determined that it would fulfill a public purpose to vacate the Cul-De-Sac Bulb; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cul-De-Sac Bulb is not publicly maintained as a street; therefore, this vacation ordinance is not subject to review by the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation regarding the traffic regulations thereon pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-8; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(b) and N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 empowers the governing body of a municipality to make, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances to vacate any public street, including the vacation of any portion of any public street, and to vacate any street, or any part thereof, dedicated to public use but not accepted by the municipality, whether or not the same, or any part, has been actually opened or improved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of East Hanover has considered evidence and concluded that the Cul-De-Sac Bulb is not needed by the general public as a public thoroughfare and lends itself to higher and better uses than as and for a public thoroughfare and for use by the general public, and that the public interest will best be served by abandoning, vacating, releasing and extinguishing any and all public rights which the Township may have in and to the Cul-De-Sac Bulb; and

**WHEREAS**, title to the Cul-De-Sac Bulb shall be apportioned to the owner of Block 96, Lot 83, in accordance with applicable law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of East Hanover that:

**SECTION 1.** Subject to the conditions set forth herein, the rights of the public in and to the Cul-De-Sac Bulb at the Northeast end of Ramada Drive in the Township of East Hanover, as more particularly delineated in Exhibit "A" hereto, are hereby released, extinguished and vacated.

**SECTION 2.** Title to the Cul-De-Sac Bulb shall be apportioned to the adjacent property owner (Block 96, Lot 83) in accordance with applicable law;

**SECTION 3.** Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(b) all public easements, rights and interests to the Cul-De-Sac Bulb, as more particularly delineated in Exhibit "A" hereto, are hereby vacated, released and extinguished except for said easements and rights specifically set forth herein and except for all rights and privileges now possessed by public utilities, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13, and by any Cable Television Company, as defined in the "Cable Television Act," N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq., to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, or any part thereof, to be vacated.

**SECTION 4.** Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-21, the Township Clerk shall within 60 days after this ordinance becomes effective file a copy of this ordinance, certified by her, under the seal of the Township of East Hanover, to be a true copy of such ordinance, together with a copy of proof of publication, if publication be required, in the office where conveyances of lands are recorded in Morris County and such certified copy shall be recorded in a book with proper index to be provided for the purpose and entitled "Vacations."

**SECTION 5.** After introduction, this Ordinance shall be referred to the Planning Board of the Township of East Hanover for review and comment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26, -32, and -33, since vacation of a public street or portion thereof constitutes a change to the official map of the Township of East Hanover, Morris County and the closing of public streets, albeit paper unimproved streets.

**SECTION 6.** At least seven (7) days prior to the time fixed for the consideration of this Ordinance for final passage, a copy of this Ordinance, together with a notice of its introduction and the time and place when and where the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage, shall be given by the Township Clerk to the owners of all real property whose lands may be affected by this Ordinance or any assessment which may be made in pursuance thereof, so far as the same may be ascertained, directed to his last known post-office address. At least ten (10) days prior to the time fixed for the consideration of this Ordinance for final passage, a copy of this Ordinance, together with a notice of its introduction and the time and place when and where the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage, shall be published at least once in a newspaper published and circulated in the Township of East Hanover. This is the notice required by N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 and N.J.S.A. 40:49-6.

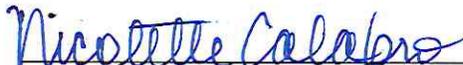
**SECTION 7.** If any article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

**SECTION 8.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies.

**SECTION 9.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final publication as provided by law.

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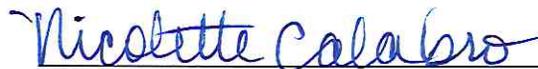
TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER

  
Nicolette J. Calabro, RMC, Township Clerk

  
Joseph Pannullo, Mayor

Introduced: March 3, 2025  
Adopted: April 7, 2025

I, Nicolette J. Calabro, RMC, Township Clerk of the Township of East Hanover, County of Morris, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on April 7, 2025

  
Nicolette J. Calabro, RMC, Township Clerk