

**RES. 26/2026**

**Resolution Designating Online News Publications**

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 2025, c. 72 establishes new requirements for the publication of legal notices by public entities, including mandatory publication on a public entity's official Internet website beginning March 1, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, section 5 of P.L. 2025, c. 72 requires that, from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, a public entity provide an advertisement at least twice per month in an eligible online news publication stating that the complete text of each legal notice may be obtained or viewed on the public entity's official Internet website beginning March 1, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, an "eligible online news publication" is defined by statute and must meet specific requirements relating to accessibility, searchability, archival retention, geographic circulation, and free public access; and

**WHEREAS**, APP.Com and NJ.com each represent that it meets the statutory requirement to qualify as an eligible online news publication under P.L. 2025, c. 72; and

**WHEREAS**, The Middletown Township Sewerage Authority ("AUTHORITY") desires to designate qualifying online news sources to ensure compliance with the bi-monthly notice requirement and to provide clarity and consistency for public legal notice publication for the Authority.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Commissioners of The Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority ("AUTHORITY") that, for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, the Authority shall publish the required bi-monthly legal notice in either APP.com or NJ.com, which are hereby designated as a qualifying online news sources for that statutory purpose.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this designation shall not be construed to require publication of any legal notice in an online news publication except as expressly required or permitted by law.

	Motion		Recorded Vote		
	1st	2nd	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Commissioner					
Rogers			X		
Eteson					X
Weikel		X	X		
Iannaci			X		
Schweizer			X		
Skelly (Alt)	X		X		
Ricca (Alt)					

I, Paul Thomson, Executive Director of the Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Authority at a meeting of the Authority held on February 17, 2026

  
 Executive Director