# AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO AMEND CHAPTER 126 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, ENTITLED "BUSINESS INSURANCE REGISTRATION"

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council of the Township of Monroe has recommended certain amendments to Chapter 126 of the Code of the Township of Monroe and has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to amend this specific section.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended to include the amendments herein.

**SECTION I.** Chapter 126, entitled "Business Insurance Registration" is hereby amended to add the following:

## § 126-1 Business insurance registration required.

It is unlawful for any owner of a business, owner of a rental unit or units, or the owner of a multi-family home of four (4) or fewer units, one (1) of which is owner-occupied, to operate within the Township without first registering its certificate of insurance demonstrating compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:10A-1 et seq., and paying the registration fee required herein. Non-profit organizations, regardless of their specific IRS classification, that can provide proof of their non-profit status shall be exempt from the registration fee but are still required to register.

#### § 126-2 Entities covered.

- A. Businesses: Any person intending to sell or dispose of, or to offer to sell or dispose of, any goods, wares, merchandise or render any services for fees within the Township. This shall include businesses operating on a temporary basis within the Township such as peddlers, solicitors, transient vendors, and temporary retail food establishments and mobile food units.
- B. Owners of single rental dwelling units.
- C. Owners of multiple dwelling rental units.
- D. Owners of multi-family homes that include rental units, even where one unit is owner-occupied.

# E. Non-profit organizations, regardless of their specific IRS classification, are also covered under this section but are exempt from the registration fee as stipulated.

#### § 126-3 Registration official.

The Township Clerk shall accept, approve, and file registration applications, and collect registration fees hereunder.

### § 126-4 Registration Fees, Expiration, and Renewals.

All registration applications submitted under this chapter, including renewals, shall be accompanied by a fifty-dollar (\$50.00) fee. Registrations shall expire on December 31 of each year. Renewals of existing registrations must be submitted no later than December 1 of each

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year. Non-profit organizations, regardless of their specific IRS classification, upon providing adequate proof of their non-profit status, shall have the registration fee waived.

### § 126-5 Application and insurance requirements.

An application for a business insurance registration shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall be made to the Township Clerk upon forms provided by the clerk. The application shall contain the following information:

- A. Name and address of the applicant. If the applicant is a corporation, the name and address of its registered agent.
- B. The address of the rental dwelling units or business as applicable.
- C. A description of the nature of the business and the goods, property, or services to be sold or supplied.
- D. A certificate of insurance reflecting the required amounts of insurance in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40A:10A-1 et seq. Non-profit organizations, regardless of their specific IRS classification, must still submit a valid certificate of insurance despite the fee waiver.

### § 126-6 Violations and penalties.

Any violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a revocation or nonissuance of its permit by the enforcement officers or the Township Clerk. The enforcement officers may order an immediate cease and desist of the event or business activity. Additionally, any violation shall subject the violator, to a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 per violation.

#### § 126-7 Concurrent remedies.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to prevent the enforcement of any other remedy at law, concurrent or otherwise, available to the Township of Monroe or other law enforcement authority to avoid or prevent any violation or attempted violation of this chapter, such as, but not limited to, an injunction or restraining order.

**SECTION II.** All prior Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION III.** If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision in this Ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal, or unconstitutional, such word phrase, clause, section or provision shall be severable from the balance of the Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION IV.** This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage and publication as required by law.

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	TOWNSHIP OF MONROE		
	CNCL. PRES., CHELSEA VALCOURT		
ATTEST:			
Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC			

# **CERTIFICATION OF CLERK**

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 at the Municipal Building, 125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, New Jersey 08094, at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC

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#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

#### 1st Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Adams				
Cncl. Fox				
Cncl. Garbowski				
Cncl. Heverly				
Cncl. McKinney				
Cncl. O'Reilly				
Cncl. Pres. Valcourt				
Tally:				

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Adams				
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Cncl. Pres. Valcourt				
Tally:				

	The foregoing	ordinance was here	eby approved	by the May	yor of the Tov	wnship of Monroe
on this	day of _	,	2024.			
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