

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #22-128

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING TECHNOLOGY RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARDS
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY MUNICIPAL EXCESS
LIABILITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND'S CYBER RISK MANAGEMENT
PLAN'S TIER ONE REQUIREMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Township of Hopewell is a member of the Mid Jersey Municipal JIF which secures insurance protection through the New Jersey Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (NJ MEL); and

WHEREAS, through its membership in the Mid Jersey Municipal JIF, Hopewell Township enjoys cyber liability insurance coverage to protect Hopewell Township from the potential devastating costs associated with a cyber-related claim; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to prevent as many cyber related claims as possible, the NJ MEL developed and released to its members the NJ MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the NJ MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan outlines a set of best practices and standards broken out into Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 standards that if adopted and followed will reduce many of the risks associated with the use of technology by Hopewell Township; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the reduction of potential claims, implementing the following best practices and standards will enable Hopewell Township to claim a reimbursement of a paid insurance deductible in the event the member files a claim against Hopewell Township's cyber insurance policy, administered through the Mid Jersey Municipal JIF and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Hopewell does hereby adopt the following best practices and standards, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, in accordance with Tier 1 of the NJ MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan; and

Information Backup

Security Patches and Updates

Defensive Software

Security Awareness Training

Password Management

Email Warning

Incident Response Plan

Technology Practice Policy

Government Cyber Membership

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution along with all required checklists and correspondence be provided to the NJ MEL Underwriter for their consideration and approval.

Date Adopted: March 21, 2022

CERTIFICATION

I, Katherine Fenton-Newman, Deputy Municipal Clerk, of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at the regular meeting held on the 21st day of March, 2022, in the Municipal Building Auditorium, Hopewell Township, New Jersey.



Katherine Fenton-Newman, RMC, CMR
Deputy Municipal Clerk