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RESOLUTION RETAINING RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE UNDERWRITING SERVICES TO THE MONMOUTH COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Raymond James & Associates, Inc. has offered to provide underwriting services for The Monmouth County Improvement Authority at a fee to be established on a "per transaction" basis subject to confirmation by the Authority, and

WHEREAS, this Commissioner is permitted by law (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq) to authorize a contract without publicly advertised competition if the contract is likely to exceed \$17,500 or if the contract, when combined with other contracts entered into during the year with the same contractor, is likely to exceed \$17,500 in the aggregate, so long as (a) the contractor, as defined in the law, (i) has not made certain political contributions for one year preceding the award of a contract, (ii) will not make any such political contributions during the term of the contract and (iii) has filed a disclosure of certain political contributions made during the past 12 months; and

WHEREAS, Raymond James & Associates, Inc. has provided a written certification that it has not made and will not make any prohibited political contributions and it has also filed the required Business Entity Disclosure Form; and

WHEREAS, Raymond James & Associates, Inc. has filed an acceptable Public Disclosure Statement/Business Entity Disclosure Form with The Monmouth County Improvement Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Monmouth County Improvement Authority that the Chairman and Secretary be and they are hereby

authorized to execute a contract with Raymond James & Associates, Inc. to provide the services at a cost stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this action is taken without competitive bidding because the services to be rendered are professional services, exempt from bidding under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Raymond James & Associates, Inc. shall comply with the Special Pay-to-Play restrictions contained in Resolution No. 08-397 of the County of Monmouth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary cause notice of this action to be printed in an official newspaper of the County of Monmouth.

Seconded by Commissioner and adopted on the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Commissioners

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monmouth County Improvement Authority at a meeting held on <u>February 3, 2022.</u>