TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2025-186

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

PERMITTING THE REMOVAL OF AN EXTRAORDINARY TREE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 493, ARTICLE II, PARAGRAPH 21(C) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the property owner at 144 Elmwood Road, Block 904, Lot 27, has requested a permit to remove two (2) Ash trees located on their property; and

WHEREAS, with a diameter exceeding thirty-six (36) inches, both trees are defined as extraordinary trees in Chapter 493, Article II of the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, the Ash trees are forty (40) inches and thirty-six (46) inches in diameter; and

WHEREAS, the Township Forester has determined that both Ash trees are infested with the Emerald Ash Borer and both have over 75% canopy dieback and are a hazard to the property; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 493, Article II, paragraph 21(C) of the Township Code states that removal of extraordinary trees shall be prohibited except upon the specific written recommendation of the Zoning Official after consultation of the Township Forester and approval by resolution of the Township Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Forester and Zoning Official have recommended in the attached memorandums that the trees be removed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Verona that the property owner is permitted to remove the extraordinary trees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall serve as the written authorization pursuant to Chapter 493, Article II, Paragraph 21(C).

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2025.

JENNIFÉR KIERNAN, RMC, CMC

MUNICIPAL CLERK