

# RESOLUTION

March 25, 2026

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a County shall limit any increase in the tax levy to 2.0% unless authorized by resolution to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's tax levy, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a County may, when authorized by resolution, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual tax levy and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its tax levy in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Ocean hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final tax levy in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Ocean, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2026 budget year, any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final tax levy in either of the next two succeeding years, and that the CY 2026 County budget for the County of Ocean be approved and adopted in accordance with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of adoption.