

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-224
RESOLUTION DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY
TO AWARD “WINDOW CONTRACTS” TO THE QPA**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:11-3 provides that the governing body may designate the Purchasing Agent to award contracts up to a certain threshold without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-3C effective July 1, 2020, the State Treasurer has established the bid threshold for local contracting units with a Qualified Purchasing Agent (“QPA”) at \$44,000 and the quotation threshold at \$6,600, as stated in Local Finance Notice 2020-14; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:11-9 permits the appointment of a Purchasing Agent who shall possess a Qualified Purchasing Agent’s certificate; and

WHEREAS, Mark M. Krane, QPA Certificate #Q-0612, has been appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent pursuant to Resolution 2020-02; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2020-181, the Township Committee increased the bid threshold for the Township of Warren QPA to \$44,000 and the quotation threshold at \$6,600; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 19:44a-1 et seq. also known as the Elections Transparency Act (the “Act”) has been recently signed into law, making certain significant changes to New Jersey’s pay-to-play laws; and

WHEREAS, among the changes to the Act, the Qualified Purchasing Agent of a municipality may now be delegated the authority to award contracts having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500 but below the \$44,000 bid threshold (commonly known as “Window Contracts”); and

WHEREAS, for purposes of advancing efficiency in the award of contracts, the Township Committee desires to delegate to Mark M. Krane, in his capacity as the Township’s QPA, the authority to award contracts having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500 but below the \$44,000 bid threshold detailed in Section 3 of the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey that Mark M. Krane, in his capacity as the Township’s QPA, is hereby granted the authority to award contracts having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500 but below the \$44,000 bid threshold detailed in Section 3 of the Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DiNARDO						X
LAZO			X			
SORDILLO			X			
LONTAI		X	X			
CROSON	X		X			

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on August 17, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC

Township Clerk