## **ORDINANCE NO. 2023-05**

# UNIFORM FIRE CODE ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CALIFON

**WHEREAS,** the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983, c.383) was enacted for the purpose of establishing a system for the enforcement of minimum fire safety standards throughout the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs has promulgated minimum fire safety standards which have been made part of the Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70-1 *et seq.*); and

**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Fire Safety Act authorizes municipalities to provide for local enforcement of these standards and to establish local enforcement agencies for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the best interest of the Borough of Califon to have the Uniform Fire Code enforced locally;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Califon, in the County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

## Section 1. LOCAL ENFORCEMENT

Pursuant to Section 11 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983, c.383), the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70-1 *et seq.*) shall be locally enforced in the Borough of Califon.

## Section. 2. AGENCY DESIGNATION

The local enforcing agency shall be the Washington Township (Morris County) Office of Fire Prevention. The Washington Township (Morris County) Office of Fire Prevention shall hereinafter be known as the "Local Enforcing Agency".

#### Section 3. DUTIES

A. The Local Enforcing Agency shall enforce the Uniform Fire Code in all buildings, structures, and premises within the established boundaries of the Borough of Califon other than one and two unit owner-occupied dwellings used exclusively for dwelling purposes and buildings, structures, and premises owned or operated by the Federal Government, Interstate Agencies, or the State.

B. The Local Enforcing Agency shall faithfully comply with all the pertinent requirements of the Uniform Fire Safety Act and the Uniform Fire Code.

#### **SECTION TWO:**

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication of Notice of Final Passage in the manner provided by law.

ATTEST:

Karen Mastro, RMC, CMR Borough Clerk/Administrator Michael Medea Council President, Acting Mayor

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