BARNSTABLE COUNTY In the Year Two Thousand Twenty-Two Proposed Ordinance 22-20

Amending Ordinance 22-07 allocating \$10 million for distributions to towns from funds received by Barnstable County under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)

WHEREAS, Section 2.b. of Ordinance 22-07 prohibits towns from expending funds received from Barnstable County under Section 1.c. of said ordinance for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID–19 public health emergency as defined in the ARPA Final Rule or subsequent updates; and

WHEREAS, permitting towns to apply for funds under Ordinance 22-07 and expend them for the full array of government services will help ensure every town can use its total allocated funding under Section 1.c.

NOW, THEREFORE,

The Cape Cod regional government, known as Barnstable county, hereby ordains;

SECTION 1.

Ordinance 22-07 is hereby amended by striking out section 2.b. and inserting in place thereof the following sections:

- 2.b. Said funds are to be expended by towns only for the purposes and in the ways set forth in the United States Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Final Rule (ARPA Final Rule) effective on April 1, 2022 or any subsequent directives issued, except towns shall not expend those funds to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers.
- 2.c. A town shall not expend said funds for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency as defined in the ARPA Final Rule or subsequent updates unless the amount of funds allocated to be directly distributed to that town under Section 1.c. is less than \$650,000.

Adopted by the Assembly of Delegates on September 21, 2022

Patrick Princi, Speaker Assembly of Delegates