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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A RISK  
MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT**

**WHEREAS, the Borough of Wharton has resolved to join both the Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund; and**

**WHEREAS, the Bylaws of said Funds require that each Municipality appoint a Risk Management Consultant to perform various professional services as detailed in the Bylaws; and**

**WHEREAS, the judgmental nature of the Risk Management Consultant's duties renders comparative bidding impractical.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Wharton does hereby appoint Matthew A. Struck of Treadstone Risk Management of Morristown, New Jersey as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund's Bylaws; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Risk Management Consultant's Agreement annexed hereto and to cause a notice of this decision to be published according to NJSA 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i).**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Risk Management Consultant will receive a total of \$13,000 annual compensation for the services required.**

**Adopted: January 4, 2021**

**BOROUGH OF WHARTON**

**ATTEST:**

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WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,  
MAYOR**

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Robin Ghebreal,  
Deputy Borough Clerk**

## RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT'S AGREEMENT

**THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 1st day of January, 2021, between the Borough of Wharton (hereinafter referred to as MUNICIPALITY) and Matthew A. Struck of Treadstone Risk Management (hereinafter referred to as the CONSULTANT).**

**WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT has offered to the MUNICIPALITY professional risk management consulting services as required in the bylaws of the Morris County Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Funds; and**

**WHEREAS, the MUNICIPALITY desires these professional services pursuant to the resolution adopted by the governing body of the MUNICIPALITY at a meeting held on January 4, 2021; and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, the parties in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein, agree as follows:**

**1. For and in consideration of the amount stated hereinafter, the CONSULTANT shall:**

- a) Assist the MUNICIPALITY in identifying its insurable Property & Casualty exposures and to recommend professional methods to reduce, assume or transfer the risk or loss.**
- b) Assist the MUNICIPALITY in understanding the various coverages available from the Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund.**
- c) Review with the MUNICIPALITY any additional coverages that the CONSULTANT feels should be carried but are not available from the FUND and subject to the MUNICIPALITY's authorization, place such coverages outside the FUND.**
- d) Assist the MUNICIPALITY in the preparation of applications, statements of values, and similar documents requested by the FUND, it being understood that this Agreement does not include any appraisal work by the CONSULTANT.**
- e) Review Certificates of Insurance from contractors, vendors and professionals when requested by the MUNICIPALITY.**
- f) Review the MUNICIPALITY's assessment as prepared by the FUND and assist the MUNICIPALITY in the preparation of its annual insurance budget.**

- g) Review the loss and engineering reports and generally assist the safety committee in its loss containment objectives. Also, attend no less than one (1) municipal safety committee meeting per annum to promote the safety objectives and goals of the MUNICIPALITY and the FUND.**
- h) Assist where needed in the settlement of claims, with the understanding that the scope of the CONSULTANT's involvement does not include the work normally done by a public adjuster.**
- i) Perform any other risk management related services required by the FUND's bylaws.**

**2. In exchange for the above services, the CONSULTANT shall be compensated in the following manner:**

- a) The CONSULTANT shall be paid by the MUNICIPALITY a fee as compensation for services rendered, in the amount of \$13,000 for 2021. Said fee shall be paid to the CONSULTANT on a quarterly basis.**
- b) For any insurance coverages authorized by the MUNICIPALITY to be placed outside the FUND, the CONSULTANT shall receive as compensation the normal brokerage commissions paid by the insurance company. The premiums for said policies shall not be added to the FUND's assessment in computing the fee outlined in 2(a).**

**3. The term of this Agreement shall be one (1) year. However, this Agreement may be terminated by either party at any time by mailing to the other written notice, certified mail return receipt, calling for termination at not less than thirty (30) days thereafter. In the event of termination of this Agreement, the CONSULTANT's fees outlined in 2(a) above shall be prorated to date of termination.**

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF WHARTON**

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**Robin Ghebreel,  
Deputy Municipal Clerk**

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**WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,  
MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**TREADSTONE RISK MANAGEMENT**

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**Matthew A. Struck**