RESOLUTION of the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE

CITY OF LINDEN

Resolution No. 2017-17

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SMOKE FREE POLICY, EFFECTIVE JULY 2018

Board Meeting Date: June 14, 2017

Date Adopted: June 14, 2017

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Linden ("Housing Authority"), a

public entity organized and existing pursuant to Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the

Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), and the laws of the State of New

Jersey, has determined that it is in need of adopting a Smoke Free Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority previously prohibited smoking in front of and in all

common areas of Ann J. Ferguson Towers by way of Resolution 2016-14; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority determined that it was in need of strengthening its

prohibitions against smoking pursuant to HUD's final rule to restrict smoking in public housing,

which went into effect on February 3, 2017; and

WHEREAS, specifically, HUD requires all public housing authorities to adopt a smoke-

free policy by August 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the smoke-free policy must prohibit the use of "prohibited tobacco

products" in all indoor areas (including individual dwelling units, common areas, and

administrative office buildings) and all outdoor areas within twenty five feet of the above-

referenced indoor areas; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority wishes to adopt a Smoke Free Policy which

prohibits the use of "prohibited tobacco products" in all indoor areas (including individual

dwelling units, common areas, and administrative office buildings) and all outdoor areas within twenty five feet of the above-referenced indoor areas at Ann J. Ferguson Towers; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that approving and authorizing the implementation of the Smoke Free Policy, effective August 3, 2018, is in the best interest of the Housing Authority and its overall goal of providing quality, affordable housing to low-income seniors;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Linden hereby approves and authorizes the implementation of the Smoke Free Policy, effective August 3, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby directs the Executive Director of the Housing Authority to take any and all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.

Ann J. Ferguson, Secretary

Housing Authority of the City of Linden