## TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 87**

## RESOLUTION OF CENSURE OF GINA LAPLACA

**WHEREAS,** elected officials hold a position of public trust and are empowered to act within that authority when interacting with municipal employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee are concerned with statements and actions allegedly made to Township employees by Mayor LaPlaca; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee has determined such statements and actions are inappropriate and beyond the statutory responsibilities of an elected official; and

**WHEREAS**, it is incumbent upon the Committee to require all Committee Members to conduct themselves within the bounds of their authority and to refrain from actions which interfere with the statutory responsibilities specifically bestowed upon municipal employees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. No member of the Lumberton Township Committee shall conduct themselves in such a way so as to, in the opinion of the majority of the Township Committee, intentionally interfere with the statutory responsibilities of the municipal employees.
- 2. As a result of the Mayor's conduct which has been brought to the attention of the Township Committee, Mayor Gina LaPlaca is hereby censured and admonished by the remaining members of the Township Committee and instructed to abide by the rules of conduct established by the State of New Jersey and the Township of Lumberton.

Adopted: April 3, 2025

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2nd	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
G. Robinson		X	X			
A. Smith			X			
T. Benson	X		X			
L. Faye			X			
G. LaPlaca						X

## CERTIFICATION

I, Bobbie Quinn, RMC, Lumberton Township Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Lumberton Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2025.

Bobbie Quinn, RMC
Lumberton Township Clerk