CITY COUNCIL The City of Orange Township, New Jersey DATE April 2, 2024 193-2024 NUMBER TITLE: A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY DURING RAMADAN ANNOUNCING THE 2ND ANNUAL COMMUNITY IFTAR. (Sponsored by Council Member Adrienne Wooten) WHEREAS, Ramadan is a sacred month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community for Muslims around the world, marked by acts of charity, compassion, and spiritual renewal; and WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township proudly recognizes and celebrates the rich diversity of its residents, including members of the Muslim community, whose contributions enrich the cultural fabric and enhance the vibrancy of our community; and WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township acknowledges the significance of Ramadan as a time of unity, solidarity, and communal gathering, fostering understanding, tolerance, and respect among all residents; and WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township is honored to host the 2nd Annual Community Iftar on April 3, 2024, providing an opportunity for residents of diverse backgrounds to come together in the spirit of fellowship, friendship, and shared humanity; and WHEREAS, the Community Iftar serves as a symbol of inclusivity, harmony, and goodwill, exemplifying the values of unity, compassion, and mutual respect that define the City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township commends the organizers, volunteers, and participants of the 2nd Annual Community Iftar for their dedication, generosity, and commitment to promoting interfaith dialogue, cultural exchange, and social cohesion within our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township recognizes the importance of fostering an environment of acceptance, understanding, and appreciation for all religious and cultural traditions, ensuring that every resident feels valued, respected, and embraced;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township hereby celebrates the Muslim community during Ramadan 2024 and extends its warmest wishes for a blessed and meaningful observance of this holy month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of Orange Township expresses its profound gratitude to the Muslim community for their contributions to the City's diversity, prosperity, and cultural richness; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of Orange Township applauds the volunteers, and participants of the 2nd Annual Community Iftar for their efforts in promoting unity, understanding, and harmony within our community.

Adopted: April 2, 2024	
Joyce L. Lanier City Clerk	Tency A. Eason Council President

