RESOLUTION 2018-013

TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY19 FEE SCHEDULE TO INCLUDE A DEBT SERVICE FEE, RELATED TO THE 2018 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS REFERENDUM

WHEREAS, the Town Charter of the Town of Milton, Delaware ("Town") provides in Section 29 that "the Town Council is vested by this Charter with the following powers, to be exercised by the Town Council in the interest of good government, and the safety, health and public welfare of the Town, its inhabitants and affairs"; and

WHEREAS, Section 29 authorizes the Town Council to license, tax, and collect fees for any and all municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 29(8) authorizes the Town Council to "provide an ample supply of potable water for the Town and its inhabitants and to this end to acquire, lease, erect, construct, maintain, operate, extend, enlarge, renew, replace, control and dispose of wells, reservoirs, pumps, machines, stations, tanks, standpipes, water mains, fire hydrants and all other equipment...; to regulate and prescribe for what public or private purposes the water furnished by the Town may be used, the manner of its use, the amounts to be paid by the users thereof, [and] the means whereby such amounts shall be collected..."

WHEREAS, the Town proposed to its citizens and property owners the need to construct water system improvements, specifically being the Shipbuilders Well and Treatment Facility, and Wagamons Water Main Extension; and

WHEREAS, the Town had applied to the State of Delaware and received a preliminary commitment for a loan of up to $895,000 principal amount ($500,000 to fund the project known as the Shipbuilders Well and Treatment Facility; $395,000 to fund the project known as the Wagamons Water Main Extension) from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund ("DWSRF"), to finance the total project cost; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2018, the Water System Improvements Referendum favorably passed allowing the Town to proceed with borrowing from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund ("DWSRF") to finance the total project costs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed per quarter, per unit Debt Service Fee was advertised as $8.50, shown as a separate line item on quarterly utility bills;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Milton that the 2019 Fee Schedule be revised to include the per-quarter, per-unit Debt Service Fee of $8.50 to offset the payments made by the Town of Milton related to the borrowing of the above-mentioned projects. This fee is applicable to all utility accounts with active water service; however, residential irrigation accounts are excluded from the Debt Service Fee.

I, RICHARD BATY, Secretary of the Town Council of the Town of Milton, do hereby certify that the above resolution was passed at the meeting of the Town Council, duly called and convened, held on the 5th day of November 2018, at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that same is still in full force and effect.

TOWN OF MILTON

BY:  

SECRETARY OF TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: 11/16/2018