

RESOLUTION 2026 - 8

RESOLUTION AWARDING AND CONFIRMING EMERGENCY CONTRACT FOR HOT WATER HEATER REPLACEMENT AT THE CONGREGATE LIVING FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law permits the award of emergency contracts pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6*, subject to certain criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the County of Morris (“MCHA”) operates the Congregate Living Facility located in Morris Township, County of Morris, New Jersey (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project utilizes two hot water heaters to provide hot water to its frail and elderly residents, and one of the heaters has begun to leak and fail, thereby creating a health and safety issue constituting an emergency affecting the immediate health, safety, and welfare of the Project’s residents; and

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from **Liberty Mechanical Contractors Inc.**, an approved vendor on the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) for Boiler Maintenance, Repair and Emergency Replacement Time and Material Bid # ESCNJ 23/24-12; and

WHEREAS, due to the failure of one hot water heater, emergency services are required to disconnect, demolish, remove, and install a new 119-gallon hot water heater at a cost of Thirty-Three Thousand, One Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$33,142.00), as set forth in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director informed the MCHA Board of Commissioners via e-mail on March 4, 2026, that the hot water heater was failing, creating a safety issue, and that immediate remedial action was required; and

WHEREAS, funds are available from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development as part of the overall management budget and are available for this purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 12th day of March, 2026, by the Housing Authority of the County of Morris, that the emergency contract awarded to Liberty Mechanical Contractors, Inc. for the replacement of one hot water heater in the amount of Thirty-Three Thousand, One Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$33,142.00), pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6*, and as set forth in the attached Exhibit A, is hereby approved and confirmed.

Kelly A. Stephens (Original on File)

Kelly A. Stephens, Director/Secretary

March 12, 2026

Date Adopted

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO PAY
THE ABOVE EXPENDITURES**

Gina Bozzi

GINA BOZZI, FINANCE MANAGER