RESOLUTION NO. 2023-139

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TERI GIORDANO, ESQUIRE, AS JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF JUDGE DEMETRICA TODD-RUIZ.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 4, as amended, established the position of Chief Judge of the Municipal Court of the City of Vineland; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4 states that each Judge of a Municipal Court shall serve for a term of three (3) years from the date of his/her appointment and until his/her successor is appointed and qualified; and

WHEREAS, the Judge of the Municipal Court shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Vineland has appointed Demetrica L. Todd-Ruiz, Esq. to serve as the Chief Judge of the Vineland Municipal Court subject to the ratification and confirmation thereof by City Council which term expires on November 23. 2023; and

WHEREAS, Judge Todd-Ruiz has been elevated to the position of Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey and therefore has resigned her position as Vineland Municipal Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has appointed Teri Giordano, Esq. to serve as the Chief Judge of the Vineland Municipal Court subject to the ratification and confirmation thereof by the City Council for the balance of the unexpired term left vacant by the resignation of Judge Todd-Ruiz; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of the Mayor's recommended appointment as well as the qualifications of Teri Giordano, Esq. the Council of the City of Vineland ratifies and confirms the appointment of Teri Giordano Esq. to the position of Chief Judge of the Vineland Municipal Court, Part Time, with a salary in accordance with the salary Ordinance for Chief Judge with a term to commence March 28, 2023 and for the balance of the unexpired term ending November 23, 2023 which appointment shall continue until reappointed or replaced in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Vineland ratifies and confirms the action of the Mayor of the City of Vineland in appointing Teri Giordano, Esq. as Chief Judge of the Municipal Court of the City of Vineland for the balance of the unexpired term of Judge Demetrica Todd-Ruiz, which term expires November 23, 2023.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk