ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10

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§3-5. Employment Restrictions.

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By:

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ATTEST:

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Vita Thompson, Clerk

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NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

NOTICE is hereby given that the above entitled ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Andover held at the Municipal Building on the 10TH day of November 2014. The same came up for final adoption at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Andover held at the Municipal Building on the 24th day of November 2014, and, after all persons present were given an opportunity to be heard concerning same, it was finally passed and adopted and will be in full force in the Township according to law.

Vita Thompson, R.M.C. Clerk/Administrator