

**ORDINANCE #49-24**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX  
ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE § 2-54A, TITLED “REGULATIONS ON  
CONTRIBUTIONS” DUE TO THE PREEMPTION PROVISIONS OF THE  
ELECTIONS TRANSPARENCY ACT, P.L.2023, C.30**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Sayreville (“Borough”) is governed under the Borough form of government pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:60-3 et seq; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough previously enacted Ordinance § 2-54A, titled “Regulations on Contributions” or commonly known as a “pay-to-play” ban; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 3, 2023, the Governor signed into law the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, which made several changes to New Jersey’s pay-to-play and campaign finance laws, including preemption of all local existing and future pay-to-play restrictions; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the preemption provisions of the Elections Transparency Act, the Borough seeks to repeal Ordinance § 2-54A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Chapter II of the Borough Code, titled “Administration” is hereby amended as follows:**

**2-54A – REGULATIONS ON CONTRIBUTIONS\***

[This section is repealed in its entirety].

**SECTION 2. Severability.**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. Repealer.**

All ordinances and resolutions, and parts of ordinances and resolutions which are inconsistent with provisions of this ordinance shall be, and are hereby, repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with law.

**INTRODUCED/APPROVED ON FIRST READING**

DATED: October 28, 2024

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Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.  
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

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Daniel Balka, Councilman  
(Admin. & Finance Committee)  
Borough of Sayreville

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

DATED: November 12, 2024

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Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.  
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

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Daniel Balka, Councilman  
(Admin. & Finance Committee)  
Borough of Sayreville

**APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Kennedy O'Brien, Mayor  
Borough of Sayreville

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Borough Attorney