

RESOLUTION NO. 77 - 17

Monday, May 22, 2017

Offered By Councilor Seconded By Councilor

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Resolution of Support for Sustainable Open Space, Farmland, Historic Preservation and Stewardship Funding for New Jersey

- **WHEREAS,** New Jersey's population demands an ample water supply provided by adequate open space to support our quality of life; **and**
- **WHEREAS,** Open Space in the form of parkland, family farms, historic and cultural sites, recreational areas and natural watershed areas is vital to our economy, planned growth, protection of property values, water quality, and safety and urban, suburban and rural quality of life; **and**
- **WHEREAS,** continued, plentiful and sustained funding is vital to a strategic Open Space program to bolster and enhance private, municipal, county, other state and federal Open Space funding programs; **and**
- **WHEREAS,** provisions for stewardship to properly care for parks, preserved lands, and historic sites is an important component of Open Space efforts; **and**
- **WHEREAS,** New Jersey's Payment In Lieu of Taxes program (PILOT) should be restored to full funding because it encourages municipalities to host state and non-profit preserved open space;
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that Borough of Glen Ridge, County of Essex, supports sustainable, continuing funding for Open Space in New Jersey.

I, Michael J. Rohal, Municipal Clerk of The Borough of Glen Ridge, in The County of Essex and in The State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a "RESOLUTION" adopted by The Mayor and The Borough Council on Monday, May 22, 2017.

Witness my hand and seal of The Borough of Glen Ridge on this 22nd day of May 2017.

Michael J. Rohal, P.E., R.M.C., P.P.

Borough Administrator/Engineer/Clerk