## GLEN RIDGE SENIORS GOLDEN CIRCLE

#### 228 RIDGEWOOD AVENUE

GLEN RIDGE, NJ 07028

6/9/15

Mr. Ryan D'Alessandro, Sportsman League Glen Ridge High School 200 Ridgewood Avenue Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Dear Mr. D'Alessandro

The members of the Glen Ridge Seniors Golden Circle would like to express their gratitude to the Sportsman Club high school students for providing a much needed service to our group during this past winter.

I'm sure you're aware of the fact that clearing snow form our properties is an arduous and dangerous task for seniors. The members of the Sportsman League who assisted our seniors with this task are to be commended for their community services.

We congratulate all the seniors who will be graduating from high school shortly and wish them success for the future. Once again thank everyone involved in providing this essential community service. It is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly

Sonia Smith, Vice President.

c. Phyllis Hesterfer, President.

c.Peter Hughes, Mayor Glen Ridge.

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June 11, 2015

Via Overnight Mail

Mayor and Borough Council Borough of Glen Ridge Municipal Building 825 Bloomfield Avenue P.O. Box 66 Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

> Re: Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, New Jersey Block 72, Lots 2, 3, 9 and 10 (collectively, "Property")

Dear Mayor and Borough Council Members:

This letter supplements the letter dated April 15, 2015 sent by Andy S. Norin, Esq. to Michael Rohal, P.E., P.P., R.M.C. Our firm has been recently retained by Glen Ridge Developers, LLC ("GRD") to pursue the redevelopment of the Property for a multifamily, inclusionary, rental development. GRD is the contract purchaser for the Property.

The Borough Council adopted Resolution #73-15 on April 27, 2015, which authorized the Borough Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation as to whether the Property (except Lot 9 in Block 72 ("Lot 9")) qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment. Lot 9 was not under contract at that time and was not considered for inclusion in the area to be investigated. Since that time, GRD obtained the contractual rights to purchase Lot 9. GRD believes that the inclusion of Lot 9 will facilitate a better layout and will provide additional space to enable affordable housing units to be built onsite.

Because Lot 9 has been added to the area to be potentially redeveloped, GRD respectfully requests that the Borough Council adopt a Resolution at the next Borough Council meeting amending Resolution #73-15 and authorizing the Planning Board to also consider whether Lot 9 also qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment as part of its preliminary investigation pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq. Because GRD is willing to redevelopment the Property, the resolution authorizing the Planning Board to conduct the preliminary investigation should specify that there shall be no use of the power of eminent domain against the owner of the Property as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6.a.

GRD is proposing that, in addition to the fifty (50) market rate units that were originally proposed, it can provide nine (9) affordable housing units onsite as part of the development, which is a fifteen percent (15%) set aside. Please find enclosed a concept plan depicting the proposed 59 unit inclusionary development.

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We hope Glen Ridge agrees that this is an ideal site to be redeveloped with an inclusionary, multifamily rental development and we look forward to working with you regarding this matter.

I thank you for your attention to this letter. Please contact me at your convenience to discuss.

Very truly yours,

BISGAIER HOFF, LLC

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Enclosure

cc: Planning Board Secretary (via overnight mail, w/ encl.)
Michael Rohal, P.E., P.P., R.M.C., Borough Administrator (via overnight mail, w/ encl.)
Mr. Joseph Forgione, Glen Ridge Developers, LLC (via e-mail, w/ encl.)





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# RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS 068-2015 SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A-4235

**WHEREAS,** Assembly Bill No. A-4235 supplementing chapter 4 of Title 54, R.S.54:4-65 and designated the "Transparent Tax Act of 2015" is being considered for adoption by the New Jersey State Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment would permit the local jurisdiction to print separate tax bills to each taxpayer, one showing the amount of property taxes due and payable for municipal tax purposes, the other shall state the amount of property taxes due and payable for county purposes, school purposes, fire district purposes, and for the purposes of any other special district on behalf of which the municipality collects property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, both bills shall include a brief tabulation showing the distribution of the total amount to be raised by taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, A-4235 would require the municipal tax collector to send notice of the pro rata share, if any, of the property tax appeal refunds paid by the municipality during the tax year to the county, school districts, and fire districts for inclusion in their annual budgets; and

**WHEREAS**, in the following tax year in which the refunds were paid, the municipal tax collector is then required to deduct the applicable pro rata share of the property tax refund from the amounts to be paid to the county, and each school and fire district; and

**WHEREAS**, these amendments, if adopted, will assist the general public to understand the tax bill, the structure of the taxes, and the level of support for each agency, and will further provide a more equitable structure to share the obligation of paying approved tax appeals as the title states, creates transparency in the tax supporting local assessments.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Morris, in the County of Morris, in the State of New Jersey, hereby supports Assembly Bill A-4235 amending Title 54:4-65 and urges the Legislature to approve and pass the bill for the reasons expressed herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Majority Leader of the NJ State Assembly, the President of the NJ Senate, and the Governor of the State of NJ, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, and New Jersey municipalities.

TTEST: [X][] Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs, County of Camden, State of New Jersey at their Regular Meeting held on May 11, 2015.

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk

#### Public Service Electric and Gas Company

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June 1, 2015

Dear New Jersey Leader:

Thank you for this opportunity to once again update you on matters important to our customers, company and the state of New Jersey.

#### PSE&G ranks highest in J.D. Power studies of business customer satisfaction

I am pleased to report that J.D. Power Studies ranked PSE&G highest in both gas and electric service satisfaction among business customers in the East. The awards recognize PSE&G's strong performance in a number of measures of customer satisfaction, including price, billing and payment, corporate citizenship and field service. It is the first time in PSE&G's history to rank highest in business customer satisfaction for both electric and gas service, and we want to thank our customers for their confidence in us.

#### Lower gas bills for six straight months

This past winter, PSE&G experienced four of our all-time peak days for gas delivery. Despite the low temperatures and high demand for gas, low-cost shale gas has made heating homes more affordable for our customers. From Nov. 1, 2014 through April 30, 2015, we provided our residential gas customers with monthly bill credits that lowered their gas bills by about 31 percent. With these credits, a typical residential gas customer received a total credit of about \$236 during the six-month period. We were happy to pass along these significant savings, and are proposing to lower bills even further this coming winter. Today, we filed a proposal to cut residential gas bills by 5.7 percent later this year, saving the typical customer about \$52 on an annual basis. If approved, this latest reduction will bring our gas supply rate to 40 cents per therm – the lowest rate in 15 years.

#### Modernizing our gas system

This spring we announced a proposal to invest \$1.6 billion during the next five years to proactively modernize our gas systems. These investments would ensure that we maintain a safe, clean and reliable gas system well into the future, and create 500 direct jobs for New Jersey. With today's lower gas bills, it makes sense to make these investments now.

We are proposing to nearly triple the current rate of replacement of PSE&G's gas infrastructure to an average of 160 miles of cast iron and unprotected steel gas mains, and 11,000 unprotected steel service lines to homes and businesses – per year, over five years. The Gas System Modernization work would take place across our entire service area in 11 counties, concentrating on urban areas where most of the cast iron and unprotected piping was laid in the early 1900s. The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities will begin to review our proposal and we hope to have a decision during the fourth quarter.

### Making New Jersey Energy Strong

We are making great progress with our \$1.2 billion Energy Strong program to make our systems resilient to storms like Sandy, Irene and the October snow storm. This year, we plan to complete the replacement of 250 miles of low-pressure cast iron gas mains in or near flood-prone areas. So far, we've completed more than 130 miles of this work, increasing the reliability of gas service. We also have begun work to harden, raise or in some cases relocate 29 substations that were under water during Superstorm Sandy or Hurricane Irene.

#### Preparing for 2015 summer electric demand

Last month, the new 500-kilovolt Susquehanna-Roseland transmission line was fully energized. PSE&G and PPL Electric Utilities built the 146-mile line that runs from the Susquehanna station in Berwick, PA, to PSE&G's Roseland switching station. The PJM Interconnection, the regional grid operator, determined that Susquehanna-Roseland was needed to maintain reliability by relieving congestion on other regional transmission lines.

In addition to maintaining electric capacity and reliability, the energizing of this line marks the completion of a major project that has created thousands of New Jersey jobs and has benefitted the state's economy. The S-R line is one of a number of substantial infrastructure upgrades we are making to keep the lights on and New Jersey's residents cool when temperatures climb. Our customers are benefiting from \$2.6 billion in electric and gas investments the utility is making this year. Equipment has been replaced, facilities have been upgraded and additional redundancies have been added system-wide in order to maintain reliability.

As always, I welcome your comments and questions. Please reach out to me at ralph.larossa@pseg.com with your ideas on how together we can make New Jersey safer and stronger.

All of us at PSE&G wish you and your family a safe and happy summer.

Sincerely,