October 2, 2017

The Honorable Stuart K. Patrick
Borough of Glen Ridge
P.O.Box 66
825 Bloomfield Ave.
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Re: Approval of SFY 2018 Municipal Alliance Grant

Dear Mayor Stuart K. Patrick:

We are pleased to inform you that Essex County has approved a grant award from the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse to the Borough of Glen Ridge for your Municipal Alliance program.

The grant award period begins July 1, 2017 and shall terminate June 30, 2018. The amount of the award is $38,462.00

We look forward to continuing our working relationship with your township in our efforts to educate and prevent substance abuse through the county and state.

Very truly yours,

Sue Ortiz-Hands, Director

Cc: Ms. Nancy McMahon, Municipal Alliance Coordinator
Cc: Heather Kobylnski
September 28, 2017

Glen Ridge Borough Council
825 Bloomfield Avenue
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Dear Governing Body:

The New Jersey General Assembly has adopted the following resolution:

   Assembly Resolution No. 216

In accordance with the directions contained therein, I am forwarding a copy to you.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Dana M. Burley
Clerk of the General Assembly

Enclosure
DMB/MN
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 216

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 27, 2017

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SYNOPSIS
Encourages NJ homeowners to plant native plants that support bee populations and create habitat for all pollinators.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT
As introduced.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/23/2017)
AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION encouraging homeowners to plant native plants that support bee populations and create habitat for pollinators.

WHEREAS, Pollinator species, such as birds, bees, bats, and butterflies, are essential partners of farmers in producing much of the food supply throughout the United States and here in the Garden State; and

WHEREAS, The success of many of New Jersey's most popular and economically important crops, such as blueberries, apples, cranberries, cucumbers, squash, and pumpkins, is dependent upon pollinators; and

WHEREAS, The maintenance of healthy, biodiverse ecosystems depends upon the significant environmental benefits provided by pollinator species; and

WHEREAS, Pollination plays a vital role in the health of State and national forests and grasslands, which provide forage, fish and wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources, and recreational and economic development opportunities for communities; and

WHEREAS, Many New Jersey homeowners and residents enjoy the State's forests and grasslands, fishing and camping, and feeding their families with the State's most popular and important crops as well as gardening and beautifying their homes; and

WHEREAS, These outdoor activities go hand in hand with planting native plants to support bee populations and create habitat for all of the State's pollinators; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Agriculture, and nurseries and landscapers throughout the State have expertise concerning native plants that are beneficial for these purposes; and

WHEREAS, The benefits that native pollinator species provide to New Jersey, whether agricultural, environmental, recreational, or economic, have been documented through extensive research at Rutgers, the State University, and other institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, It is altogether fitting and proper for the State of New Jersey to demonstrate its support for pollinators by encouraging homeowners in the State to plant pollinator-friendly native plants, and the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Agriculture, and nurseries and landscapers to lend their assistance in these efforts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. This House respectfully encourages homeowners throughout the State to plant native plants that support bee populations and provide habitat for all kinds of pollinators.
2. This House respectfully requests the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Agriculture to work together with nurseries and landscapers in the State to develop lists of native plants that would be supportive of these efforts and to post these lists on the department websites, and encourages nurseries, landscapers, and other sources of plants to post these lists on their websites.

3. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State, shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the General Assembly to the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Secretary of Agriculture, the New Jersey Nursery and Landscapers Association, and the governing body of each municipality in the State.

STATEMENT

This resolution encourages homeowners in the State to plant native plants that support bee populations and create habitat for all kinds of pollinators. It also respectfully requests the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Agriculture to work together with nurseries and landscapers in the State to develop lists of native plants that would be supportive of these efforts and to post these lists on the department websites, and encourages nurseries, landscapers, and other sources of plants to post these lists on their websites.