

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 143**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE EGG HARBOR, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE RIGHT TO IN-PERSON VOTING IN ADDITION TO MAIL-IN BALLOTING**

**WHEREAS**, on August 5, 2020, the Ocean County Freeholders passed a resolution calling on the Governor to allow for the use of in-person voting machines, in conjunction with voluntary mail-in balloting for the 2020 General Election on November 3, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, mail-in voting for the July 2020 primary resulted in the County Clerk and the Ocean County Board of Elections sending out almost 1 million pieces of information, resulting in overtime, printing expenses and additional staffing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Little Egg Harbor is concerned with voter disenfranchisement, postal delivery delays and significant increase in election costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Ocean can provide appropriate safeguards at polling places to protect voters during this COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body urges the Governor to provide a choice to voters so that they may vote in-person at a local polling place, or may vote by mail, but not be forced to vote-by-mail.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the governing body of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1.** That the governing body strongly urges the Governor to provide a choice to voters so that they may vote in-person at a local polling place, or may vote by mail, but not be forced to vote-by-mail in the November 3, 2020 General Election.

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2. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Governor, and the 9<sup>th</sup> District legislators.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, **DIANA K. MCCRACKEN, RMC**, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Little Egg Harbor do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township of Little Egg Harbor Township Committee at a meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of **August, 2020**.

  
**DIANA K. MCCRACKEN**, Township Clerk  
Little Egg Harbor Township

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