

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 – 116

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE EGG HARBOR, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING PINELANDS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2020-01 OPPOSING STATE OF NEW JERSEY CUT OF PILOT PAYMENTS UNDER THE GARDEN STATE PRESERVATION TRUST ACT AFTER MUNICIPAL TAX RATES HAVE BEEN SET

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2020, the Pinelands Municipal Council adopted Resolution 2020-01 “Opposing State of New Jersey Cut of Pilot Payments under the Garden State Preservation Trust Act after Municipal Tax Rates have Been Set”; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Little Egg Harbor believes that the State’s action in cutting the PILOT payment under the Garden State Preservation Trust Act is unlawful; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, where the State represented to municipalities that the full PILOT would be restored after years of a one-third cut, the State has now reversed course and advised that they are again seeking to cut the funding one-third to each municipality; and

WHEREAS, in Little Egg Harbor Township, a 100% PILOT payment is approximately \$230,024.00 and a one-third cut is a loss of \$80,907.00; and

WHEREAS, the cutting of the funding after the setting of the tax rate is contrary, unlawful and inequitable and should be reversed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, hereby supports Pinelands Municipal Council Resolution 2020-01 and demands the State abide by the law and equity to restore the entirety of the funding promised to the municipalities through the constitutionally-dedicated money.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Susan M. Farrell, RMC**, Deputy Township Clerk of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Little Egg Harbor Township Committee at a meeting held on the 13th day of **May, 2021**.



Susan M. Farrell, *Deputy Township Clerk*
Township of Little Egg Harbor