Resolution No. 2015-29

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A BOND PROPOSAL AT A SPECIAL ELECTION SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 12, 2015, TO THE LEGALLY QUALIFIED VOTERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT HOLLY

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Mount Holly, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Fire Commissioners" when referring to the governing body and the "Fire District" when referring to the legal entity and territorial boundaries governed by the Fire Commissioners, is authorized to undertake the construction of additions and renovations to the Relief Fire House for the purpose of providing fire protection services for the Township of Mount Holly (referred to herein as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Fire Commissioners are authorized to finance the Project through the issuance of Fire District bonds after first submitting a bond proposal to the legally qualified voters of the Township of Mount Holly seeking their approval; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Commissioners want to submit a bond proposal at a special election on December 12, 2015, to determine if the legally qualified voters of the Fire District will authorize the issuance of Fire District bonds to finance the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT HOLLY, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That at the December 12, 2015, special election, the Fire Commissioners are hereby authorized to determine if the legally qualified voters of the Fire District will authorize a bond proposal to issue Fire District bonds to finance the Project;
- 2. That the Fire Commissioners hereby ratify the approval of the advertisement of the publication for a request of mail-in ballot in the Burlington County Times for any absentee voters at least fifty-five (55) days in advance of the special election;
- 3. That the Clerk of the Fire Commissioners is hereby directed to post, at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the special election, a copy of the Notice of Election at each of the following public places in the Fire District, namely:
 - a. Mount Holly Township Municipal Building, 23 Washington Street, Mount Holly, NJ;
 - b. Mount Holly Township Construction Office, 250 Rancocas Road, Mount Holly, NJ;
 - c. Mount Holly Township Public Works, 250 Rancocas Road, Mount Holly, NJ;
 - d. Mount Holly Municipal Utilities Authority, 37 Washington Street, Mount Holly, NJ;
 - e. Burlington County College, 1 High Street, Mount Holly, NJ;
 - f. Mount Holly Bureau of Fire Prevention, 17 Pine Street, Mount Holly, NJ;

- g. Mount Holly Fire District Administration Office, 100 Garden Street, Mount Holly, NJ;
- h. Mount Holly School District Administration Office, 331 Levis Drive, Mount Holly, NJ;
- i. John Brainerd Elementary School, 100 Wollner Drive, Mount Holly, NJ; and
- j. Burlington County Lyceum of History and Natural Sciences, 307 High Street, Mount Holly, NJ;
- 4. That the Clerk of the Fire Commissioners is further directed to cause the attached Notice of Election to be published twice at least ten (10) days prior to the special election in the Burlington County Times, a newspaper having the qualifications required by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-85;
- 5. That the Notice of Election shall be substantially in the attached form and shall be submitted to the legally qualified voters at the special election. The hours of opening and closing of the polls shall be as stated in the Notice of Election and the polling places and the polling districts therein stated and described are hereby confirmed and established;
- 6. That the Fire Commissioners hereby approve and adopt the form of the Proposal set forth in the Notice of Election and, subject to the approval of the legally qualified voters of the Fire District, hereby determines to carry out same; and
- 7. That the Clerk of the Fire Commissioners is hereby directed to do all things necessary, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70, et seq., to prepare and conduct the special election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the within Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any resolution or part of a resolution inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed or otherwise revoked; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this Resolution is for any reason held or determined to be unconstitutional or invalid, same shall not affect the remainder of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding anything set forth herein to the contrary, the Board shall be permitted to amend, modify, repeal or otherwise act as to those topics which are the subject of this Resolution provided said acts are consistent with public policy, Board bylaws, township ordinances, local, state and federal laws and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an original signed, conformed and compared copy of this Resolution be accessible and maintained as an official Board record pursuant to and in accordance with the "Open Public Records Act"; N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, et seq. and the "Destruction of Public Records Law (1953)"; N.J.S.A. 47:3-8.1, et seq. as set forth by the State of New Jersey

Municipal Agency Record Retention Schedule promulgated by the Division of Archives and Record Management.

CERTIFICATION

I, STEFANIE HAINES, Clerk of the Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and compared copy of an original Resolution now on file and of record in the Fire District office which was duly adopted at a public meeting held on the 4th day of November, 2015.

I do further certify that the said Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, is composed of - 5 - members, and that - 4 - members were present and - 4 - members voted affirmatively for the adoption of the Resolution and - 5 - members voted against the adoption of the Resolution.

The undersigned further certifies that the above Resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, on this 4th day of November, 2015.

STEFANIE HAINES, CLERK Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District No. 1

Township of Mount Holly

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT HOLLY NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT HOLLY, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Mount Holly, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that, at a special election, the legally qualified voters of the Fire District will be asked to authorize the construction of additions and renovations to the Relief Fire House, as well as issue Bonds of the Fire District to finance such improvements. The special election will be held on December 12, 2015, and polls will be open from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The polls will remain open until 9:00 p.m. and as much longer as may be necessary to permit all of the legally qualified voters then present to vote and to cast their ballots. The legally qualified voters of the Fire District will vote on the following Proposal at the respective polling place stated below:

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Mount Holly, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, be authorized (i) to undertake the construction of additions and renovations to the Relief Fire House, located at 17 Pine Street, Mount Holly, New Jersey; (ii) to acquire the necessary equipment and furniture for the improvements to the fire house; (iii) to make the necessary onsite and offsite improvements; and (iv) to issue bonds of the Fire District in the amount of \$7.9 million to finance such improvements as well as refunding bonds to refinance such debt at a future date?

The polling place for the special election shall be Relief Fire Engine Company No. 1, 17 Pine Street, Mount Holly, New Jersey, for all Election Districts within the Township.

By Authorization and Order of the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Mount Holly, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.

STEFANIE HAINES, CLERK Fire Commissioners Fire District No. 1 Township of Mount Holly County of Burlington, New Jersey

November 4, 2015