RESOLUTION NO. 2015-213

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TRANSPARENT TAX ACT OF 2015.

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. A-4325 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-4325 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 Council of the City of Vineland, County of Cumberland, and State of New Jersey, hereby supports Assembly Bill A-4325 amending Title 54:4-65 and urges the Legislature to approve and pass the bill for the reasons expressed herein;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the members of the New Jersey State Assembly, the members of the New Jersey Senate, and the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey and all Cumberland County municipalities

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk



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April 17, 2015



MayorRuben Bermudez City of Vineland P. O. Box 1508 Vineland, NJ 08362-1508

RE: Resolution #62-2015: A Resolution Supporting The Transparent Tax Act of 2015

Dear Mayor Bermudez:

Please find enclosed a copy of Resolution 62-2015 – A Resolution Supporting The Transparent Tax Act of 2015 which was adopted by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township on Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Denise L. Peterson Municipal Clerk

Dlp

Cc: Township Committee



TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER RESOLUTION NO. 62-2015

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TRANSPARENT TAX ACT OF 2015

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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-4325 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; 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 Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, and 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 members of the NJ State Assembly, the members of the NJ Senate, and the Governor of the State of NJ, The New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the Municipal Clerk's Association of New Jersey, and all Cumberland County municipalities.

CERTIFICATION

I, Denise L. Peterson, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Maurice River, Cumberland County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township at a meeting held in the Municipal Building, 590 Main Street, Leesburg, New Jersey, on April 16, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

Signed:

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Denise Peterson, Municipal Clerk