RESOLUTION NO. 2022-<u>367</u>

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION OF 86 ACRES OF LAND KNOWN AS BLOCK 7304, LOTS 24, 25, 26, 27, 37 AND 38 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF VINELAND.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Conservation Foundation (NJCF) is seeking to purchase and preserve for passive recreation and open space, certain land in the City of Vineland consisting of 86 acres, more or less, known as Block 7304, Lots 24, 25, 26, 27, 37 and 38 on the Tax Map of the City of Vineland to be added to the Menantico Creek Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition will be made with Green Acres Funding and the Cumberland County Open Space Trust Fund and NJCF has requested the city support the acquisition; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds that the acquisition and addition to the Menantico Creek Preserve will benefit all citizens of Vineland and surrounding areas by providing additional open space for outdoor recreation and protect the same for future generations as well.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland that the Mayor is authorized to execute a letter supporting the New Jersey Conservation Foundation's acquisition of Block 7304 Lots 24, 25, 26, 27, 37 and 38 to be added to and to be used in conjunction with the existing Menantico Creek Preserve for the same purpose.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk