

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MOUNT OLIVE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION
TO THE NATIONAL RECREATION AND TRAILS PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the public has expressed great interest in increasing the trail network that exists and in creating additional trails and access to the trails; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Mount Olive is working collaboratively with the Borough of Stanhope to improve trail connections between the two communities for the benefit of the public; and

WHEREAS, sufficient open space connections now exist to connect the Sussex Branch Trail in Byram through Mount Olive and over to Stanhope via the old Morris Canal Tow Path; and

WHEREAS, a grant opportunity exists to acquire funding to accomplish additional enhancement of trails and trail facilities through this program; and

WHEREAS, if the project is approved each town agrees to supply 10% matching funds to total the 20% match required in the form of donated services, labor, equipment and materials or funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive that it does hereby authorize the filing of a grant application to the National Recreation and Trails Program.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Alex Roman, Council President

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution passed by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on January 31, 2012.

Lisa Lashway, Township Clerk