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cc: Admin
Tax Collector

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS
068-2015
SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A-4235

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. A-4235 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-4235 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 Township Committee of the Township of Morris, in the County of Morris, in the 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 Majority Leader of the NJ State Assembly, the President of the NJ Senate, and the Governor of the State of NJ, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, and New Jersey municipalities.

Thomas A Barbera
Thomas A. Barbera, Mayor

ATTEST: Dawn T. Amadio
Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs, County of Camden, State of New Jersey at their Regular Meeting held on May 11, 2015.

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Dawn T. Amadio
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