

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Morris County, New Jersey

No. R-62-12

Date of Adoption: May 21, 2012

Title or Subject: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON SUPPORTING PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE FIRE DISTRICTS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE OF TAX APPEAL REFUNDS AND SETTLEMENTS (S-2904 AND A-1503)

WHEREAS, municipalities are presently required to full fund refunds resulting from real property tax appeals despite the fact that fire districts, school districts, and county government all are funded through the tax revenue which is the subject of the appeals; and

WHEREAS, the current real estate market has resulted in an unprecedented number of tax appeals which have created a substantial burden on municipalities who are required to fund the entire cost of defending the appeals and payment of resulting judgments requiring tax refunds; and

WHEREAS, Senator Anthony Bucco has introduced legislation, S-2904, which would require municipal tax collectors to deduct the applicable pro rata share of property tax refunds from the amounts to be paid in a subsequent tax year to the county, school district or fire district; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington support the efforts of Senator Bucco and those in the Assembly who have introduced the Assembly version of this legislation, A-1503

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey that the Township of Washington supports the proposed legislation to require fire districts, school districts and county governments to pay their fair share of tax appeal refunds and settlements (S-2904 and A-1503) and urges the Legislature to move forward with this important legislation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution also be provided to our State legislative representatives, neighboring communities, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk

Kenneth W. Short, Mayor

I, Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on May 21, 2012.

Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk

Date

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