RESOLUTION 2010-423

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, URGING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO ADDRESS SAFETY CONCERNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF STATE ROUTE 9 AND BARNEGAT BOULEVARD NORTH

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has experienced significant growth along with a corresponding increase in traffic during the past decade, and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation is responsible for management and maintenance of state owned transportation infrastructure, including the traffic signal and the intersection traffic design at state route 9 and Barnegat Boulevard North, and

WHEREAS, many residents of Barnegat have expressed a concern regarding the safety associated with the traffic signal and traffic design of the intersection at state route 9 and Barnegat Boulevard North, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has communicated with the appropriate county and state officials during the past year of our grave concern about the safety of this intersection, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has furnished all material requested by the New Jersey Department of Transportation in addition to the County of Ocean completing needed traffic counts at this intersection that clearly demonstrate the need for modifications to the intersection, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has been patiently waiting for a response from the New Jersey Department of Transportation on necessary corrective action needed at this heavily traveled intersections so that relief can be provided to the commuting public that resides in and around Barnegat Township, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, the following:

1. That the Township hereby urges the New Jersey Department of Transportation to take immediate action required to properly address the existing safety concerns present at the intersection of state route 9 and Barnegat Boulevard North. This would include timing changes to the traffic signal along with modifications to the traffic design of the intersection.

- 2. That the Mayor, Township Administrator and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents required to properly satisfy the intent of this resolution.
- 3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the following individuals:
 - a) Ocean County Freeholder Director James Lacey
 - b) Ocean County Engineer Frank Scarantino
 - c) New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner James Simpson
 - d) State Senator Christopher Connors 9th District

CERTIFICATION

I KATHLEEN T. WEST, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat at a public meeting held on the 4th of October, 2010, a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

KATHLEEN T. WEST, RMC Municipal Clerk