

RESOLUTION 2012-452

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF S1502/A392 ALSO KNOWN AS "PEGGY'S LAW"

WHEREAS, S1502/A392, introduced in the Legislature in 2012 to require mandatory reporting to local law enforcement of suspected abuse or exploitation of an elderly person; and

WHEREAS, currently, the law provides that other persons may report this information to the ombudsman; and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation also requires that the administrator of elder care facilities shall annually provide all caretakers, social workers, physicians, registered or licensed practical nurses or other professionals employed at the facility with a notice concerning the reporting of suspected abuse or exploitation of an institutionalized elderly person; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat governing body believes it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Township of Barnegat and all of New Jersey to support the passage of this legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, does hereby support passage of New Jersey Legislature Bill S1502/A392 which enacts "Peggy's Law" in order to require mandatory reporting of suspected abuse or exploitation of elderly individuals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to distribute copies of this resolution upon passage to the following:

- Governor Chris Christie
- State Assembly Members David W. Wolfe and James W. Holzapfel
- The Ocean County Board of Freeholders
- The Ocean County Board of Health
- Ocean County Mayors
- The New Jersey League of Municipalities
- The New Jersey Conference of Mayors

CERTIFICATION

I, Sharon L. Auer, Acting 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 at their regular meeting held on the 20th day of August 2012, in the Municipal Complex, 900 W. Bay Avenue, Barnegat NJ 08005

Sharon L. Auer
Acting Municipal Clerk