RESOLUTION 2016–165

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REQUESTING THE OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS MEET WITH THE FREEHOLDERS OF MIDDLESEX AND MONMOUTH COUNTIES TO DISCUSS TRANSPORATION NEEDS OF THE REGION

WHEREAS, NJ Transit has conducted studies wherein it is recognized that the transportation needs of Ocean, Middlesex and Monmouth Counties are unmet; and

WHEREAS, especially in Ocean County, residents commuting to New York City have minimal access to reasonable and efficient transportation options; and

WHEREAS, on average, an Ocean County resident commuting to New York spends over three hours commuting per day; and

WHEREAS, Ocean County would see a rise in its population if its transportation needs were met and there were faster and more efficient ways to travel to and from the County to Northern New Jersey and New York; and

WHEREAS, electromagnetic propulsion high speed rail lines are utilized all over the world to quickly transport passengers to their destinations; and

WHEREAS, an electromagnetic propulsion high speed rail line would solve Ocean County's needs, by cutting commuting times in half, as well as the transportation needs of the nearby counties of Middlesex and Monmouth; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee respectfully requests that the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders considers this transportation alternative and discusses this with the Freeholders of Middlesex and Monmouth to address regional transportation needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. That the Township Committee requests that Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders considers the County's need for an electromagnetic propulsion high speed rail line and further discusses this need with the Freeholders of Middlesex and Monmouth.
- 2. That upon the adoption of this resolution, the Township Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of said resolution to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele A Rivers, RMC, 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 Barnegat Township Committee at their regular meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 W Bay Avenue, Barnegat NJ on April 5, 2016.

Michele A Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk