

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 254

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE REQUESTS BY
THE OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF
FREEHOLDERS TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE
OF OCEAN COUNTY ON THE NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, (the “BPU”), regulates the public utilities in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County has a year round population of 600,000 residents which increases to 1.2 million people in the summer time; and

WHEREAS, Ocean County has experienced numerous significant power outages over the last number of years which has put the health safety and welfare of the residents of Ocean County at risk; and

WHEREAS, lengthy power outages not only threaten the safety of the residents, it also hurts our businesses and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the current Board of Public Utilities is made up of representatives from Essex, Camden, Morris, Somerset and Bergen Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders recently petitioned the State to provide representation from Monmouth/Ocean County areas on the Board of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat fully supports the requests by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Ocean County and Monmouth County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 1st day of September, 2020 by the Mayor and the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

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1. The Township Committee joins in the request by the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders to petition the State that there should be representation of Ocean on the Board of Public Utilities.

2. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the following:

- (a) Governor Philip Murphy
- (b) Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate President
- (c) Craig J. Coughlin, Speaker/General Assembly
- (d) Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders
- (e) Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Township of Barnegat at a meeting held on September 1, 2020, a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

Michele Rivers, Township Clerk

Prepared by:
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