

RESOLUTION 2022-216

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SEEKING INCREASE IN MUNICIPAL AID AND DIRECT PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

WHEREAS, according to reports, New Jersey's tax revenues are approximately \$7 billion over what Governor Murphy projected two months ago; and

WHEREAS, these unprecedented and unexpected revenues provide a huge boost to the State's coffers, which can and should be provided relief to taxpayers within the State; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has the highest property taxes in the nation, and relief should be given to homeowners and especially those who are struggling or live on fixed incomes, such as the senior community; and

WHEREAS, this unexpected revenue can be used to provide the relief needed to not only individual homeowners but municipalities as well; and

WHEREAS, for over a decade, state issued municipal aid has been flat while municipalities struggle with the rising cost of labor, goods and services; and

WHEREAS, given the increase in tax collection within the State, consideration to local units should be given, providing more relief to them to ease their burden and, in turn, the burden to their residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat would like to go on record to implore Governor Murphy and State Legislators to use these revenues to increase municipal aid and provide direct property tax relief to homeowners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to Ocean County Board of Commissioners, all Ocean County Mayors, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

CERTIFICATION

I, Donna M. Manno 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 their regular meeting held on the 5th day of July, 2022, in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, New Jersey.

Donna M. Manno, RMC
Municipal Clerk