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The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in regular session in its offices in the Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on Wednesday, April 22, 1998 at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Dickey and upon roll call the following members were present: Freeholder Susan Dickey, Freeholder Stephen Lance and Freeholder Ann Stone.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Director Dickey.

Director Dickey read the following statement: **"ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR/GAZETTE, BLAIRSTOWN PRESS, THE NEWS, STAR-LEDGER AND THE EXPRESS-TIMES AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE."**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held March 25, 1998 were approved as presented.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held March 25, 1998 were approved as presented.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the minutes of the regional meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held April 1, 1998 were approved as presented.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held April 8, 1998 were approved as presented.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Shawn Buskirk, Substance Abuse Coordinator, introduced the winners of the Substance Abuse Essay Contest. The essays were to be based on how to prevent alcohol and drug abuse in our schools and in our community; the message being "The community should be proactive not reactive". There were a total of twenty-seven participants ranging from the 4th grade through the 12th grade. There were six prizes with one grand prize. After this presentation, there will be an awards reception held in the Cooperative Extension Meeting

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Room. The essays will be published in the Star Gazette.

The six prize winners were Shawnee Miller, Justine Arteglier, Derek Boudreau, Becky Yount, Holly Schettino, Shawna Armstrong and the grand prize winner, Jennifer Smith.

Award Certificates were presented to the winners, with the board's congratulations, by Freeholder Steve Lance.

PROCLAMATION 278-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following PROCLAMATION was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

**PROCLAMATION
DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS AWARENESS MONTH
MAY 1998.**

WHEREAS, the displaced Homemakers Network of New Jersey, Inc., is a nonprofit, nonpartisan coalition to support, coordinate, strengthen, promote and expand services for displaced homemakers; and

WHEREAS, most displaced homemakers are women who have been working at home caring for the family, relying on spouses to furnish financial support; and

WHEREAS, through the death, divorce or disability of the breadwinner, a displaced homemaker is created, often with no marketable job skills; and

WHEREAS, while one in every two marriages ends in divorce, a woman's standard of living falls 73 percent in the year following a divorce; and

WHEREAS, currently there are over 500,000 displaced homemakers in the State of New Jersey, many of whom live below the poverty level; and

WHEREAS, the average citizen does not know what a displaced homemaker is, or where to seek assistance when one becomes a displaced homemaker;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Susan A. Dickey, Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby proclaim the month of May 1998 as Displaced Homemakers Awareness Month.

Susan A. Dickey, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

The proclamation was accepted with thanks by Elaine Molnar who is in charge of "Transitions".

PROCLAMATION 279-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following proclamation was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a

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meeting held April 22 1998.

**PROCLAMATION
OLDER AMERICANS MONTH
MAY 1998.**

WHEREAS, each year the month of May is designated as "Older Americans Month by the State and Federal government; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately seventeen thousand Warren County residents over the age of sixty; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren have made it a tradition to designate the month of May as a time to honor our local older citizens; and

WHEREAS, our older residents have and continue to make vital contributions to their families, their communities, the workforce, and to society; and

WHEREAS, Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren will continue to encourage and support local initiatives which promote healthy aging, independence, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren want to make it known that Warren County's older residents are vital, active, and esteemed members of our county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby proclaim May 1998 as Older Americans Month in Warren County.

Susan A. Dickey, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Mildred Carter, a member of the Office on Aging Advisory Council, accepted the proclamation with thanks.

PROCLAMATION 280-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following proclamation was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

**PROCLAMATION
MENTAL HEALTH MONTH
MAY 1998.**

WHEREAS, one in three adults nationwide will have a mental health or substance abuse disorder in his or her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses have a staggering amount of impact on our nation, costing an estimated 165 billion dollars per year; and

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WHEREAS, 25% of Warren County residents will develop a mental illness in his or her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the stigma of mental illness prevents many people from obtaining the quality mental health services they need and deserve, and only 20% of adults suffering from diagnosable mental illness seek treatment of any sort, and only 20% of children who need mental health care receive it; and

WHEREAS, effective mental health care is an important investment in our nation. our families and ourselves; the cost on untreated mental health problems is far greater than the cost of providing effective, efficient and affordable preventive mental health services; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Mental Health Board, in partnership with the County of Warren, will continue to promote the prevention and treatment of mental illness and support community-based programs that serve Warren County residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Susan A. Dickey, Director, Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, do hereby designate May 1998 as "Mental Health Month" in Warren County.

Susan A. Dickey, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Karen Kubert, Administrator of the Mental Health Board, accepted the proclamation with thanks.

PROCLAMATION 281-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following proclamation was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

**PROCLAMATION
CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK
APRIL 19 - APRIL 25, 1998.**

WHEREAS, the personal safety of people living in the United States is a top priority for both policy makers and the American public; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, although our nation's crime rate underwent an historic drop, U.S. residents still experienced nearly 37 million criminal victimizations, including over nine million violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, when one man, woman or child in America is harmed by crime, all Americans are touched by the devastating results; and

WHEREAS, our nation's victim's rights discipline has contributed enormously to crime prevention, victim assistance, and community safety; and
crime victims and those who serve them are a significant force for positive changes that have resulted in improved victim's rights and services, and laws that truly promote justice for all;
and

WHEREAS, during 1998 National Crime Victims' Rights Week, the myriad good deeds

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and important work of crime victims and their advocates deserve our nation's recognition and respect; and

WHEREAS, during the week of April 19 to 25, 1998 and throughout the year, our County joins together to celebrate "Victims' Rights: Right for America";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren proclaims the week of April 19-25, 1998 to be Warren County's Victim's Rights Week; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we recognize victims' rights as right for America in diverse communities large and small, urban and rural, and join together to honor those who bring honor to victims of crime; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitably prepared copy of this proclamation be presented to the Warren County's Prosecutor's Office.

Susan A. Dickey, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Prosecutor John O'Reilly accepted the proclamation with thanks and acknowledged the hard work done by his staff; Jenny Sipple, Dotty Magyar and others in his office.

PROCLAMATION 282-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following proclamation was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

PROCLAMATION
MARCH OF DIMES WalkAmerica DAY
April 26, 1998.

WHEREAS, every day in America 411 babies are born with a birth defect, and 19 babies die as a result of their birth defect; and

WHEREAS, the March of Dimes is a voluntary health organization working to assure healthy lives for America's babies; and

WHEREAS, for the past 60 years the March of Dimes has been safeguarding Americas's infant health; and

WHEREAS, the March of Dimes has been a pioneer in preventing birth defects - the nation's number one child health problems through programs of research, community services, education, advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Walkamerica was initiated in 1970 to raise funds that support critical March of Dimes programs; and

WHEREAS, WalkAmerica has been successful for 28 years, providing \$970 million for the march of Dimes mission to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality; and

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WHEREAS, the nation's hope for assuring future generations a healthy start in life depends upon the efforts and commitment for all Americans in events like WalkAmerica:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby declares the last Sunday in April as

MARCH OF DIMES WALKAMERICA DAY

and urges all residents of Warren County, New Jersey to celebrate this day by supporting the commendable efforts of the March of Dimes in helping give babies a healthier start in life.

Susan A. dickey, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Jeannette Snyder, Chairwoman of the March of Dimes, accepted the proclamation with thanks.

RESOLUTION 283-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Master Voucher Certificate for Certification for Payment No. 98-11, 12 dated April 22, 1998 in the amount of \$3,789,191.94 including bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

98-11	742,450.08
98-12	2,085,618.15
Sub Total	2,828,068.23
Payroll 4/9	961,123.71
Total	3,789,191.94

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 284-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was

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unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

**INSERTION INTO THE 1998 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$300,000.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPT. OF COMM. AFF., DIV. OF HOUS. & DEVE.,
SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT #98-0474-00.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 1998 in the sum of \$300,000.00 which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Comm. Aff., Div. of Hous. & Deve., Small Cities Community Deve. Block Grant #98-0474-00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$300,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

"UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES"
State of New Jersey, Dept. of Comm. Aff., Div. of Hous. & Deve., Small Cities
Community Development Block Grant #98-0474-00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Dept. of Human Services and that two (2) certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 285-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY
IN PHILLIPSBURG FOR THE SITING OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE RAILROAD,
TRANSPORTATION AND HERITAGE MUSEUM.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has consistently supported the Town of Phillipsburg as the most appropriate selection to site the New Jersey

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State Railroad, Transportation and Heritage Museum; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Phillipsburg is in the process of acquiring property to be used for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Phillipsburg has requested the County of Warren to confirm its support of this project through the commission of funding necessary to complete the purchase of property for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren state support via a motion unanimously passed at their meeting of April 8, 1998;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby formally confirm the County's commitment of financial support for the acquisition of approximately 25 acres of property in the Town of Phillipsburg known on the tax map as Block 2102, lots 2 & 7, and Block 1502, Lot 43, for the purpose of the provision of a site for the development of the New Jersey State Railroad, transportation and Heritage Museum; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this commitment is conditioned on the Town of Phillipsburg being selected as the site of the New Jersey State Railroad, Transportation and Heritage Museum, and that the total funds to be expended on the purchase of this property is not to exceed the estimated cost of \$875,000, unless otherwise modified by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 286-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT FOR RADIO TOWER SPACE.

WHEREAS, GPU Telecom Services, Inc. ("GPU") owns a radio tower on Scott's Mountain; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren (County) owns a radio tower in Mansfield Township; and

WHEREAS, GPU and the County are desirous of exchanging and trading antenna space on each party's respective tower; and

WHEREAS, as the result of such an exchange, the County would be granted 45 feet of antenna space on the GPU Scott Mountain Tower and GPU would be granted 15 feet of space on the County's Mansfield Tower; and

WHEREAS, obtaining such space on the GPU Scott's Mountain Tower will be of tremendous benefit to the communications system of the County of Warren;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, as follows:

1. The Freeholder Director is hereby authorized and directed to sign and execute the agreement between GPU and the County which provides for said exchange

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of antenna space.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 287-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL AT THE CONSTRUCTION SITE OF BRIDGE #05082, COUNTY ROUTE #632, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren :

Section 1. That a temporary traffic control signal shall be installed and operated at the construction site of Bridge #05082, County route #632, Franklin township.

Section 2. That the temporary traffic signal installation shall be in accordance with the provision of an act concerning motor vehicles and traffic regulations, Subtitle 1 of Title 39 of the revised Statutes; shall conform to the design, and shall be maintained in operation during Phase I and Phase II of the construction project, as authorized by the Department of Transportation.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Commissioner of Transportation, as provided by law.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 288-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DEPARTMENT HEAD - NUTRITION PROJECT FOR THE ELDERLY AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE ON AGING - TO SIGN A LETTER OF AGREEMENT TO CARRY OUT THE WARREN COUNTY NUTRITION PROJECT FOR THE ELDERLY UNDER TITLE III OF THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT FOR THE YEAR 1998 FOR \$733,381.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren , that the Department Head of the Nutrition Project for the elderly and the Executive Director of the Office on Aging, are authorized to sign a Letter of Agreement to carry out the Warren County Nutrition Project for the Elderly under Title III of the Older Americans Act for the year 1998 for \$733,381.

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Analysis of Funding:

Title III Funds	\$200,923
Client Contributions	132,000
USDA Funds	57,212
County Match & Donation	313,746
Inkind Resources	<u>29,500</u>
	\$733,381

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 289-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE 1998 COUNTY CONTRACT WITH NORWESCAP FOR \$5,508 COUNTY FUNDING; THEREBY RAISING THE 1998 COUNTY CONTRACT CEILING FROM \$128,489 TO \$133,997; ADDED FUNDS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998.

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services has prepared a contract amendment between the county and NORWESCAP for an additional \$5,508 county funding for child care vouchers; thereby raising the 1998 county contract ceiling from \$128,489 to \$133,997; and

WHEREAS, these funds are available for the period April 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to sign the 1998 county contract amendment with NORWESCAP for \$5,508 county funding; funding to be available for the period April 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 290-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE 1998 CONTRACT WITH THE ARC THEREBY REDUCING THE 1998 COUNTY CONTRACT CEILING FROM \$103,591 TO \$100,591 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998.

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WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services has prepared a contract amendment between the county and The ARC for a reduction of \$3,000 funding for the Recreation program; thereby reducing the 1998 contract ceiling from \$103,591 to \$100,591; and

WHEREAS, this contract amendment will be in effect for the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to sign the 1998 county contract amendment with The ARC for a reduction for the period January 1, 1998 and December 31, 1998.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 291-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACTS FOR THE 1998 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR THE ROAD, BRIDGE AND MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Maintenance, Repair, and Construction Materials are needed by the County for the 1998 work schedule; and

WHEREAS, bids were received on Tuesday, March 31, 1998 at 1:30 P>M> and reviewed by County Counsel, Director of Purchasing and the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the following awards be made to the various companies at the lowest responsible and responsive bids:

CONTRACT #WC9809-1 - ABE MATERIALS - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$3,773.30
Item #7 -3/8" Broken Stone/Del.

7.4-Intersection Co.Rts.#639 & #637 - 290 tons @\$9.52/ton = \$2,760.80
Item #9 - Dense Graded aggregate, FOB - 250 tons @\$4.05/ton = \$1,012.50

CONTRACT#WC9809-2-BRUNSWICK HOT MIX t/a WELDON-TOTAL CONTRACT-\$10,650
Item #6 - UPM High Performance Bituminous Cold Mix -
150 tons @471.00 = \$10,650.00

CONTRACT #WC98099-3 - HARMONY, SAND & GRAVEL-TOTAL CONTRACT- \$57,412.50
Item #8 - Abrasive Grits - 6,000 tons @ \$9.00/ton = \$54,000.00
Item #9 - Dense Graded Aggregate - FOB -650 tons @ \$5.25/ton = \$3,412.50

CONTRACT #WC9809-4 - KENNEDY CULVERT - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$7,728.64
Item #12 - Smooth Interior Corrugated Polyethylene Storm Sewer Pipe
12.1 - #12.8 - Various Sizes - \$7,728.64

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CONTRACT #wc9809-5 - LINEAR DYNAMICS, INC. - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$23,580.00
 Item #11 - Traffic Paint

11.1 - Waterborne - Yellow - 3,000 gals @\$4.31/gal. = \$12,930.00
 11.2 - Waterborne - White - 2,500 gals @\$4.26/gal. = \$10,650.00

CONTRACT #WC9809-6 - MT. HOPE ROCK PROD. - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$99,676.30
 Item #3 - Bit. Concrete FABC, Mix I-5 - FOB- 140 tons @\$22.44/ton = \$25,581.60
 Item #5 - Bit. Stab. Base Mix I-2 - FOB(Hack) 1530 tons @\$20.99/ton = \$74,094.70

CONTRACT #WC9809-7 - OXFORD QUARRY, INC. - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$96,554.40
 Item #3 - Bit. Concrete FABC, Mix I-5 - FOB- 935 tons @\$23.00/ton = \$21,505.00
 Item #4 - Bit. Concrete Curb Mix - FOB- 100 tons @\$32.00/ton = \$ 3,200.00
 Item #5 - Bit. Stabilized Base Mix I-2 - 1,600 tons @\$22.00/ton = \$35,200.00
 Item #7 - 3/8" Broken Stone/Del.
 7.1 - Allamuchy Railroad Station- 440 tons @\$ 9.79/ton = \$ 4,307.60
 7.2 - Belvidere Garage- 290 tons @\$ 8.89/ton = \$ 2,578.10
 7.3 - Blairstown Railroad Station- 1,780 tons @\$ 9.79/ton = \$17,426.20
 Item #9 - Dense Graded Aggregate - FOB- 2,350 tons @\$ 5.25/ton = \$12,337.50

CONTRACT #WC9809-8 - POCONO TRANSCRETE - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$29,300.00
 Item #10 - Transit Mix Concrete - Delivered
 10.1 - Class B- 480 C.Y. @\$58.50/C.Y. = \$28,080.00
 10.2 - Class HES- 20 C.Y. @\$61.00/C.Y. = \$ 1,220.00

CONTRACT #WC9809-9 - SOMERSET ROAD MATERIALS - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$78,728.66
 Item #1 - Cationic Emulsified Asphalt RS-3K7,500 gals. @\$1.03/gal. = \$ 5,145.00
 Item #1A - Anionic Emulsified Asphalt RS-26,560 gals. @\$1.96/gal. = \$52,520.16
 Item #2 - CRS-2P Polymer Mod. Emuls. Asphalt 150 gals. @\$1.03/gal. = \$21,063.50

CONTRACT #WC9809-10-WARREN MATERIALS - TOTAL CONTRACT - \$7,975.00
 Item #3 - Bit. Concrete FABC, Mix I-5 - FOB- 150 tons @\$23.50/ton = \$3,525.00
 Item #5 - Bit. Stabilized Base Mix I-2 - FOB- 200 tons @\$22.25/ton = \$4,450.00

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in various accounts and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby award the above contracts to the companies as recommended above and the director of the Board is hereby directed to execute the necessary contract forms.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

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RESOLUTION 292-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF CONTRACT TO DAWN FOR PROVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998; FUNDS AVAILABLE IN 1998 NJ DCA HANDICAPPED PERSON'S GRANT AND COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS.

BE IT RESOLVED that a contract for provision of human services is hereby awarded to "DAWN" in the total amount of \$3,000 as follows:

1998 NJ DCA Handicapped Person's Grant	\$2500
1998 County Matching Funds	500

and; **WHEREAS**, funds for this contract are available in county accounts #0010280007.200 and A01-09-01977.00.200.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 293-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO THE SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998 TECHNICAL STUDY PROGRAM BETWEEN THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, THE NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY AND THE COUNTY OF WARREN, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,297.

WHEREAS, in order to identify mobility issues in subareas of corridors and to facilitate the examination of problems in congested or developing areas, the North Jersey Transportation Administration Planning Authority has initiated a program utilizing Federal Transportation Administration and Federal Highway Administration funds to provide partial funding to participating sponsors for specialized studies in critical transportation planning areas; and

WHEREAS, the objective of this program is to maximize the delivery of existing and future public transportation services in the northern New Jersey region through consideration of the fifteen factors required in ISTEA (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act); and

WHEREAS, Warren County's proposed Technical Study Program to conduct a Hackettstown Bypass Corridor Study, which focuses on Routes 57, 46, 182 and 24/517 in the Hackettstown area of Warren and Morris Counties for Fiscal Year 1998, has been approved by the NJIT/NJPA; and

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WHEREAS, the NJIT/NJTPA allocated \$80,000 for the technical Study Program as outlined in Volume III of the FY 1998 Unified Work Program; and

WHEREAS, the NJIT/NJTPA did not receive the funding allocation as outlined in Volume II of the Unified Work Program from the Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, Task Order No.2, Modification No. 1, reflects the remaining FHWA FY 1998 funding allocated to Warren County; and

WHEREAS, under Task Order No. 2, Modification No. 1, Warren County is hereby authorized to incur costs, starting July 1, 1998, to a maximum of \$80,000; and

WHEREAS, the funding level and the funding agreement are subject to adjustment based on review and audit of our FY 97 program performance and the availability of Federal funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The modification to the agreement for the Technical Study Program for FY 98 between the County of Warren and the NJIT/NJTPA is approved.

2. The Freeholder Director is hereby directed to execute said agreement.

3. Costs incurred under this contract shall not exceed \$80,000.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 294-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INSPECTION OF THE INSTALLATION OF A 3" SANITARY FORCE MAIN WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COUNTY ROUTE #604, HACKETTSTOWN, WITH MASER SOSINSKI & ASSOCIATES (TOWN ENGINEER), OF LONG VALLEY, N.J., FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,035.00.

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an Engineering for the inspection of the installation of a 3" Sanitary Force Main within the Right-of-Way of County Route #604, Hackettstown; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et.seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in escrow account #801-02850.164 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in the state of New Jersey as follows:

1. The agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and Master Sosinski & Associates (Town Engineer) of Long Valley, New Jersey for professional services for the inspection of the above project for an amount not to exceed \$4,035.00, currently on file in the Office of the County Engineer, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf

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- 2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of Agreement by signing same.
- 3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
- 4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Gazette, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 295-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9803A FOR LABORATORY TESTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO PROVIDENCE LABORATORY ASSOCIATES (PLA), FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 1998 THROUGH APRIL 30, 1999 IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$9,970.50.

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC9803A for laboratory tests for the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency is hereby awarded

toProvidence Laboratory Associates (PLA), Rockville, Maryland

in the approximate amount of \$9,970.50

as per their bid submittedApril 6, 1998

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts A01-06-01181.21.044 - PHNA-Bd of Health Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.048 - PHNA-Bd of Health - Venereal Disease, TB, Etc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 296-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a

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RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9810 FOR PHASE III FIRE PROTECTION, INSTALLATION OF SPRINKLERS AT WARREN HAVEN TO CASTLE FIRE PROTECTION IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$37,500.00.

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC9810 for Phase III fire protection, installation of sprinklers at Warren Haven is hereby awarded

toCastle Fire Protection, Wharton New Jersey

in the amount of \$37,500.00

as per their bid submitted April 13, 1998

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital account 008-02500.1998.016 - Fire Protection Warren Haven, Phase III

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 297-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ERICSSON GE MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS INC., UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A74267 COVERING RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES & OPTIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS MICROWAVE RADIO PARTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,431.50.

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for various microwave radio parts for the Warren County Communication Center, is hereby awarded

to Ericsson GE Mobile Communications, Totowa, New Jersey

in the amount of \$22,431.50

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #74267

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital account A01-10-02500.04.837 -

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I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

RESOLUTION 298-98

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the following member is hereby appointed as a member to the WC Environmental Commission, effective April 23, 1998, to fill an unexpired term:

Dominick D. Vangeli
866 High Street
Alpha, NJ 08865

Term to expire: July 26, 2000

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

A resignation was received from Suzanne Martin as a member to the Warren County Advisory Council for the Disabilities and a letter of appreciation is to be sent to her.

A recommendation was received from the WC Advisory Council for the Disabilities to appoint Louise Seeley, Hackettstown with a term to expire December 31, 1999.

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, a resolution appointing Louise Seeley to the WC Advisory Council for the Disabilities is to be prepared for the May 13th meeting.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

A resignation was received from Daniel Salvito as a member to the WC Environmental Commission and he is to be sent a letter of thanks for his service on this commission.

A resolution was received from Salem County declaring the immediate moratorium on the construction and/or operation of any "trash to steam" or similar industrial project within the County of Salem.

County Counsel David Wallace had items for executive session only.

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County Engineer David Hicks had nothing to report.

County Planner David Dech mentioned that historic sites is to be added to the Open Space plan and when that happens, we will need to appoint a member representing historic sites to the committee. He also mentioned that regarding the title of the committee, it is being changed again and he will have a resolution for the May 13th meeting.

CFO Pete Houck had nothing to report.

County Administrator Henry Dinger submitted two hiring requests and both were approved.

Henry asked the board if they had made a decision on the "third party signature for checks" and was told to prepare a resolution for the May 13th meeting which will adopt this procedure.

Henry also asked the board to review the proposal from John Pappas.

Also, Henry had been asked by Mrs. Dickey to work on an Administrative Code and asked the board if they are still interested in this. Mrs. Dickey said yes, Mrs. Stone said no and Mr. Lance was undecided and would like to review Sussex County's code before he makes a decision.

Henry said if it is done correctly, it can be a good thing but it has to be put into an organized system and is not a cure-all for every thing. Mr. Lance said that he feels he may take away from some of our flexibility.

Mr. Dinger mentioned that an At-Home Educational Group will be touring this building on May 7th and he will be sending a memo to all the department heads in the administration building to ask for their cooperation and participation in explaining how their departments function.

Director Dickey opened the public hearing on the WC Cross Acceptance Report to the State Plan at 8:00 p.m.

Planning Director David Dech explained that after the hearing, he will be asking for the board's authorization for transmission of the report to the State Planning Commission. Dave reported that Draft Copy #2 was released last month and he has received recommendations from the county and the municipalities.

Cross acceptance started on September 2, 1997 and a number of public meetings have been held to get public feed-back. We released the county report last month and comments were made to the staff. Changes and modifications have been made but the basic recommendations have not changed. Additional comments have been received from the Environmental Commission and from Cultural and Heritage.

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On April 15th, a public meeting was held in this room on the Cross Acceptance Report and comments and recommendations were received.

At 8:31 p.m., comments were heard from the public.

A Mansfield Township resident commended Dave Dech and the Planning Department for the great job they did.

Another resident asked about high density zoning and Dave explained that it is based on 5000 people per square mile and 6 housing units per acre; this is in the state plan. We have objected to this in the report as a quality of life issue. We have to find alternate ways to fund schools rather than just property tax.

Another person said he has a strong objection to the transfer of the State Planning Commission from the Treasury Department to the Dept. of Community Affairs. We should send Dave Dech to the next meeting with the public's objections.

Ray Bohacz asked for a copy of the state plan.

After the plan is submitted, there is a negotiation period of five to six months and then a final review phase. The board also commended Dave on a job well done!

Director Dickey closed the public hearing at 9:20 p.m.

Additional public comments can be voiced on April 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Mansfield Township Municipal Building. This meeting with Warren, Somerset and Sussex, will be held by the state.

Under freeholder comments, Ann Stone said that at the Transportation Advisory Council meeting, the members have asked to have an opportunity to speak to the matter of filling the Transportation Coordinator position. She asked that the request for that position be placed on the May 13th meeting agenda.

Steve Lance asked that we prepare a resolution like Hope Township's in opposition of the new school calendar and send copies to the school boards. This should be placed on the May 13th agenda.

Steve also asked if we can prepare a proclamation for the "National Day of Prayer".

We also need to do a proclamation for the NJ CPA's. This will be done for the May 13th agenda also.

Mrs. Dickey reminded everyone about the Municipal Elected and Appointed Officials Meeting on Wednesday, April 29th at 7:30 p.m. There will be a discussion on the deregulation of electric service.

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Under closing public comments, Mr. Lance brought up a request he received from the Election Board regarding assistance by Buildings and Grounds in delivering voting equipment at election time. Steve Marvin has determined that it is too costly for his department and Henry suggested that we look at alternate methods; Manpower, an outside moving company, etc. Henry said he objects to their interference and the tone of their letter. We will look into this matter.

There were no press comments or questions.

RESOLUTION 299-98

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 22 1998.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON APRIL 22, 1998. THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED INCLUDES VARIOUS PERSONNEL MATTERS; CONTRACTS; LITIGATION; LAND ACQUISITION; ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS AND IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE ABOVE STATED SUBJECT MATTER WILL BE MADE PUBLIC AT SUCH TIME AS THE PUBLIC INTEREST PERMITS DISCLOSURE AND/OR WHEN A REQUEST IS MADE CONSISTENT WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND WITH STATUTORY AND COMMON LAW "RIGHT TO KNOW" PROVISIONS.

WHEREAS, section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances: and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist, **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Section 8 of said act, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is:
 1. Various personnel matters.
 2. Contracts.
 3. Litigation.
 4. Land acquisition.
 5. Attorney/client privileged communications.
3. It is anticipated that the above stated subject matter will be made public at such time as the public interest permits disclosure and/or when a request for disclosure is made consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act and with statutory and common law "right to know" provisions.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

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Director Dickey called for a ten minute break at 9:40 p.m.

The board went into executive session at 10:00 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 11:00 p.m.

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

ATTESTED TO:

Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk