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FEBRUARY 23, 2005

SPECIAL SESSION WITH HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

The Boards of Chosen Freeholders of the Counties of Warren and Hunterdon met in special session in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on February 23, 2005 at 6:35 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Warren County Director Gardner and upon roll call, the following members were present: Freeholder Richard Gardner, Freeholder John DiMaio and Freeholder Everett Chamberlain for Warren County and Freeholder Marcia Karrow, Freeholder George Melick and Freeholder Nancy Palladino for Hunterdon County. Also attending were Steven Shaw, Esq. of Bell & Gage, Hunterdon County Counsel Guy DeSapio and Warren County Administrator Steve Marvin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Gardner.

Director Gardner read the following statement: **"ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2005 WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARDS OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR-LEDGER, AND DAILY RECORD AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. NOTICE WAS ALSO PROVIDED BY FAX TO THE STAR-GAZETTE, WARREN REPORTER, EXPRESS TIMES, NORTH WARREN NEWS, HUNTERDON DEMOCRAT, HUNTERDON REVIEW, THE COURIER, THE TRENTON TIMES AND THE LAMBERTVILLE BEACON. 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."**

RESOLUTION 100-05

On motion for Hunterdon County by Ms. Karrow, seconded by Ms. Palladino and on motion for Warren County by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, at 6:37 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 23, 2005

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF
THE WARREN COUNTY AND HUNTERDON COUNTY
BOARDS OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12**

WHEREAS, the Warren County and Hunterdon County Boards of Chosen Freeholders are subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6*, et seq., and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12*, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Warren County and Hunterdon County Boards of Chosen Freeholders to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to

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the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(7) and designated below:

Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or many become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County and Hunterdon County Boards of Chosen Freeholders, assembled in public session on February 23, 2005, that an Executive Session closed to the Public shall be held on February 23, 2005, at 6:37 p.m. in the Freeholders Meeting Room located at the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823 for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Warren County and Hunterdon County Boards of Chosen Freeholders that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

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.

Steve Marvin Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote (Hunterdon): Mr. Karrow yes, Ms. Palladino yes, Mr. Melick yes

Recorded Vote (Warren): Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Gardner yes

On motion for Hunterdon County by Ms. Karrow, seconded by Mr. Melick and on motion for Warren County by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the Boards adjourned executive session at 7:35 p.m. and returned to open session.

Recorded Vote (Hunterdon): Mr. Karrow yes, Ms. Palladino yes, Mr. Melick yes

Recorded Vote (Warren): Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Gardner yes

Mr. Gardner said no formal action had been taken at this meeting, however, he opened the meeting to public comments. There were none.

On motion for Hunterdon County by Ms. Karrow, seconded by Ms. Palladino and on motion for Warren County by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, and there being no further business to come before the Boards at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Recorded Vote (Hunterdon): Mr. Karrow yes, Ms. Palladino yes, Mr. Melick yes

Recorded Vote (Warren): Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Gardner yes

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board