

**STATEMENT OF INTENT TO PURSUE PLAN ENDORSEMENT AND
AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE MUNICIPAL SELF-ASSESSMENT REPORT TO
THE NEW JERSEY STATE OFFICE OF PLANNING ADVOCACY**

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act recognizes that New Jersey requires sound and integrated land use planning and coordination of planning at all levels of government in order to conserve the state's natural resources, revitalize the urban centers, protect the quality of the environment, and provide needed housing and adequate public services at a reasonable cost while promoting beneficial economic growth, development and renewal; and

WHEREAS, Plan Endorsement is a voluntary review process developed by the State Planning Commission to provide the technical assistance and coordination of the State for municipalities, counties, and regional agencies to meet the goals of the State Planning Act and State Development and Redevelopment Plan (State Plan); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan Endorsement process is to increase the degree of consistency among municipal, county, regional and state agency plans with each other and with the State Plan and to facilitate the implementation of these plans and guide where and how development and redevelopment can be accommodated in accordance with the State Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines incorporate, and expand upon, the principles of the Municipal Land Use Law in order to help towns plan for a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines require the preparation and submission of a Municipal Self-Assessment Report as the means by which a municipality assesses the consistency of its existing community vision and planning documents with the State Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Willingboro Township desire to obtain Plan Endorsement from the State Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Willingboro Township has prepared a Municipal Self-Assessment Report pursuant to the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines; and

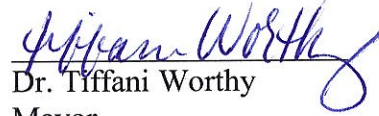
WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee has reviewed the Municipal Self-Assessment Report and recommends that the Mayor and Council approve it for submission to the State Planning Commission and the New Jersey State Office of Planning Advocacy towards the Municipality's pursuit of Plan Endorsement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of Willingboro Township hereby expressly state the intention of Willingboro Township to pursue Plan Endorsement by the State Planning Commission; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of Willingboro Township approves the Municipal Self-Assessment Report and authorizes it be


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submitted to the New Jersey State Office of Planning Advocacy for consideration and review as part of the effort to pursue Plan Endorsement.


Dr. Tiffani Worthy
Mayor

Councilmember	Motion	2 nd	Yea	Nay	Recuse	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Anderson	x		X				
Councilwoman Perrone			X				
Councilwoman Whitfield		x	X				
Deputy Mayor McIntosh			X				
Mayor Worthy			X				

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of Willingboro Township shall transmit a copy of this Resolution and the Notice as required by the State Planning Rules to the State Planning Commission and the New Jersey State Office of Planning Advocacy.


Brenda Bligen, MBA
A., Township Clerk

Certification Date: 09/22/2021

Seal: _____

