Resolution of Appreciation to Steven Karp, Office of Planning Advocacy GIS Specialist

WHEREAS, Steven Karp has been an essential part of the history of the New Jersey State Development and Redevelopment Plan and the implementation of New Jersey’s State Planning Act for 33 years and under the direction of 10 Governors, and;

WHEREAS, Steven’s skills as a cartographer and his skills in GIS mapping have enabled the State Plan Policy Map to flawlessly represent state land use policies and goals since its inception, and;

WHEREAS, throughout Steven’s tenure at the Office of State Planning, the Office of Smart Growth, and the Office of Planning Advocacy, he has provided critical mapping resources to numerous state agencies and departments, and;

WHEREAS, Mr. Karp has been integral in the development of the state plans and the cross-acceptance processes during his tenure, that incorporate feedback from numerous levels of government and countless public comments, and;

WHEREAS, Mr. Karp has been responsible for ensuring the accuracy of numerous map amendments that reflect changes to land use attributes throughout the years and throughout New Jersey, and;

WHEREAS, Mr. Karp has been the “go to” expert regarding the development and history of the State Plan Policy Map, and;

WHEREAS, Mr. Karp’s institutional knowledge and expertise is irreplaceable and will be sorely missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Planning Commission recognizes the vast contribution that Steven Karp has provided to the State of New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Planning Commission recognizes Steven Karp’s contribution to New Jersey’s land use policies that foster an environment that we can be proud to pass to the next generation.

I hereby certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the State Planning Commission at its meeting on July 7, 2021.

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Donna A Rendeiro, Secretary
State Planning Commission
Dated: July 7, 2021