

RESOLUTION TO ENTER AN URBAN COUNTY COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH ELIGIBLE MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ENTITLEMENT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FUNDS

WHEREAS, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, commonly known as the Community Development Block Grant Program (hereafter, "CDBG Program") provides federal funds to be granted to certain urban counties for the use therein; and

WHEREAS, the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1991, as amended, provides federal funds to certain urban counties through its Home Investment Partnership Program (hereafter, "HOME Program"); and,

WHEREAS, the above Acts establish certain criteria that needs to be satisfied, including contractual commitments from participating municipalities for an urban county to receive the aforesaid federal funding; and,

WHEREAS, the term "urban county" means any county within a metropolitan area which:

(1) is authorized under state law to undertake essential community development and housing assistance activities in its incorporated areas which are not units of general local government; and,

(2) has a combined population of 200,000 or more in such unincorporated areas and in its included units of local government (hereafter, "municipalities"):

(A) in which it has authority to undertake essential community development and housing assistance activities and which do not elect to have their population excluded; or,

(B) with which it has entered into cooperation agreements to undertake or to assist in the undertaking of essential community development and housing assistance activities; and,

WHEREAS, twenty-three (23) municipalities located in Gloucester County (hereafter the "County") have a 2010 Census population of less than 50,000 and opt to join with the County to form a combined population of more than 200,000 persons, thereby qualifying as an urban county, and be eligible for an entitlement of Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and HOME Investment Partnership funds: **CLAYTON, DEPTFORD, EAST GREENWICH, ELK, FRANKLIN, GLASSBORO, GREENWICH, HARRISON, LOGAN, MANTUA, MONROE, NATIONAL PARK, NEWFIELD, PAULSBORO, PITMAN, SOUTH HARRISON, SWEDESBORO, WENONAH, WEST DEPTFORD, WESTVILLE, WOODBURY, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, & WOOLWICH**; and,

WHEREAS, the cooperation agreement is automatically renewed for participation in successive three (3) year qualification periods, unless either the County or the included municipalities provides written notice pursuant to HUD's Urban County Qualification Notice that it elects not to participate in a new qualification period; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the current HUD Notice CPD-13-04, West Deptford Township has opted to remain as part of the urban county process for the three year period beginning 2014 and terminating 2016; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford that the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute the Cooperation Agreement between West Deptford Township and the County of Gloucester and the following eligible units of general local government: **CLAYTON, DEPTFORD, EAST GREENWICH, ELK, FRANKLIN, GLASSBORO, GREENWICH, HARRISON, LOGAN, MANTUA, MONROE, NATIONAL PARK, NEWFIELD, PAULSBORO, PITMAN, SOUTH HARRISON, SWEDESBORO, WENONAH, WESTVILLE, WOODBURY, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, & WOOLWICH** for the requalification of Gloucester County as an urban county for the receipt of HUD CDBG entitlement and HOME Investment Partnership Program funds and other funds for the three year qualification period of 2014-2016 with automatic renewal provisions for successive three year qualification periods subject to HUD regulations.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey held on Thursday, August 1, 2013.

TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD


RAYMOND CHINTALL, MAYOR

ATTEST:


AMY LESO, RMC, TOWNSHIP CLERK