

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD TO  
REQUEST THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION TO SET SAFE LEVELS  
FOR CHEMICALS PFOA AND PFNA**

**WHEREAS**, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), also known as C8 and perfluorooctanoate, is a synthetic perfluorinated carboxylic acid and fluorosurfactant that has the potential to be toxic and carcinogenic, per the United States Environmental Protection Agency ; and

**WHEREAS**, perfluorononanoic acid, or (PFNA), is a synthetic perfluorinated carboxylic acid and fluorosurfactant that is also a potential environmental contaminant; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has recognized these chemicals as emerging contaminants, however no maximum contamination levels or safe levels of their presence in our water supply for them have been set; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has only recommended certain preliminary health-based guidelines for these chemicals in drinking water; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee is concerned about the safety and welfare of its residents, particularly in light of the presence of these chemicals in the groundwater, and desires to protect its residents from the harmful effects of consuming PFOAs and PFNAs;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, though the NJDEP and USEPA are currently studying this issue on these chemicals the governing body of West Deptford Township requests the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate safe levels for chemicals PFOA and PFNA.

**ADOPTED** at the Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford held on February 6, 2014

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD**

By:   
Raymond Chintall, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
AMY LESO, Township Clerk, RMC