

**CREATING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY THROUGH PLANNING, DESIGN,
CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF NEW AND RETROFIT
TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY WITHIN
PLAINSBORO TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation's Complete Streets Policy defines a Complete Street as a means to provide safe access for all users by designing and operating a comprehensive, integrated, connected multi-modal network of transportation options; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro is committed to creating a roadway system that provides a safe means of travel for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists; and

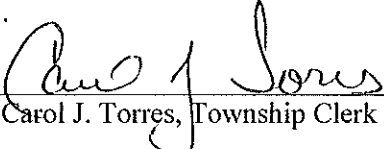
WHEREAS, the Master Plan for the Township of Plainsboro already incorporates many of the goals contained in the NJDOT Complete Streets Policy which became effective through Policy Number 703 on December 3, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of Complete Streets include improving safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, children, older citizens, non-drivers and the mobility challenged; providing connections to bicycling and walking trips generators such as employment, education, residential, recreation, retail centers and public facilities; promoting healthy lifestyles; creating more livable communities; reducing traffic congestion and reliance on carbon fuels thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions; and saving money by incorporating sidewalks, bicycle lanes, safe crossings and transit amenities into the initial design of a project thus sparing the expense of retrofits later.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Plainsboro Township Committee that all public streets including new construction and reconstruction, but excluding maintenance undertaken by the Township of Plainsboro shall be designed and constructed as *Complete Streets* whenever feasible to do so in order to safely accommodate travel by pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit, and motorized vehicles and their passengers with special priority given to bicyclist and pedestrian safety, and subject to the following conditions:

- a. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities shall not be required where they are prohibited by law.
- b. Public transit facilities shall not be required on streets not serving as transit routes.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on September 11, 2013.


Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk