



Middlesex County

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Resolution to Support the Middlesex County "Complete Streets" Program

WHEREAS, the County of Middlesex is supportive of roadways that safely and comfortably accommodate all road users including motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians and transit riders of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2009 the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) signed a new internal policy called "Complete Streets" to ensure that transportation planners and engineers consistently design, construct and maintain State or Federally funded roadways to provide safe access for pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the "Complete Streets" policy by the NJDOT was prompted in part to address a significant increase in pedestrian fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the NJDOT Complete Streets Policy Fact Sheet which is included as Attachment A describes in more detail the components of this new NJDOT policy; and

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Transportation Coordinating Committee passed a resolution on March 23, 2010 recommending the evaluation of a County Complete Streets Program to help promote and enhance improved traffic safety conditions by ensuring that no user is omitted from the design process of a road improvement project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders acknowledges the merits of a Complete Streets design in County projects, thereby promoting traffic safety and encouraging Middlesex County municipalities to adopt similar municipal level complete streets design goals in municipal projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby support Complete Streets Design for consideration that acknowledges the needs of all users including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit users of all ages and abilities in the design, construction and maintenance of Middlesex County roadways.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey Department of Transportation and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority.

At a meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders on 7/19/2012, a motion was made by Ronald G. Rios, seconded by Blanquita B. Valenti, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion passed. The above is a true copy, as certified by the Clerk of the Board.

Aye: 5 Freeholder Barrett Bellante, Freeholder Deputy Director Rios, Freeholder Tomaro, Freeholder Valenti and Freeholder Director Rafano

Approved as to form _____
and legality: County Counsel

Carol Barrett Bellante

Certified by: _____
Margaret E. Pemberton