RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Morris County, New Jersey

No. R-42-14

Date of Adoption: February 17, 2014

Title or Subject: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING SALARY CAP

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2010, Assembly Bill A-3393 was signed into law as Chapter 105, P.L. 2010; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid law revised the procedure for negotiating police and fire contract disputes and set a "cap" whereby an arbitrator shall not render any award pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1977, c.85 (C.34:13A-16) which, on an annual basis, increases base salary items by more than 2.0 percent of the aggregate amount expended by the public employer on base salary items for the members of the affected employee organization in the twelve months immediately preceding the expiration of the collective negotiation agreement subject to arbitration; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid "cap" is due to expire on April 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that local governments continue to be relieved of the burden of funding excessive bargaining agreement awards which drive local, state and county budgets and taxes upwards, generating an unacceptable fiscal burden on taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington of the County of Morris in the State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. That the Township of Washington is on record urging that legislation be drafted, introduced, passed and signed into law extending the aforesaid "cap" for police and fire contract disputes.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be distributed to all our local state representatives; to the sponsors of the original legislation; to the Chairman of the Assembly Budget Committee; to the Chairman of the Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee; to the President of the Senate; to the Speaker of the Assembly; to the Honorable Governor of the State of New Jersey, Christopher J. Christie; to the League of Municipalities; and to the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders, urging them to adopt and distribute similar resolutions of support.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk

Kenneth W. Short, Mayor

I, Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on February 17, 2014.

Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk