



Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 03/21/16 07:00 PM

2016 RESOLUTION APPROVAL

**URGING STATE LAWMAKERS TO FULLY RESTORE LEAD PREVENTION
FUNDING TO THE STATE BUDGET**

WHEREAS, lead is a heavy metal that is not safe for human contact or ingestion at any level, and lead poisoning is particularly harmful to children as it causes permanent neurological dysfunction and can result in a lifetime of cognitive limitations; and

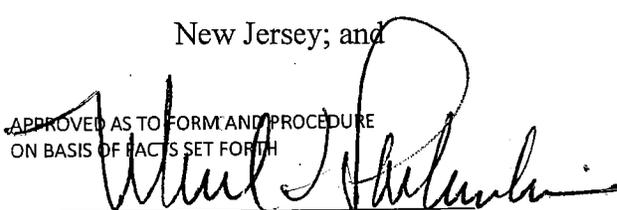
WHEREAS, the dangers of lead poisoning have been known for many years, and as an acknowledgment of this hazard and as a way to help municipalities identify, treat, and/or prevent lead-affected populations, the State of New Jersey instituted a Lead Hazardous Control Assistance Fund in the year 2004; and

WHEREAS, since the Lead Hazardous Control Assistance Fund was established in 2004, New Jersey's Governors have diverted more than \$50 million from the Fund into the general state fund, depriving families from assistance and access to abatements when a child is poisoned by lead; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bloomfield through their Department of Health and Human Services investigates all lead complaints, monitors elevated blood levels and provides information on prevention and screenings, and while Township of Bloomfield water supply is not contaminated with elevated levels of lead, exposure to lead is still a danger for Township of Bloomfield children through environmental contaminants including paint, pottery, certain cosmetics, imported foods, or homeopathic remedies; and

WHEREAS, a study using the most recent data available from the State found that the prevalence of lead exposure in Township of Bloomfield youth population is among the highest in New Jersey; and

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND PROCEDURE
ON BASIS OF FACTS SET FORTH


DIRECTOR OF LAW-TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the resources of the State’s Hazardous Lead Control Assistance Fund are desperately needed to address the ongoing crisis of lead exposure throughout New Jersey’s communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Municipal Council of Township of Bloomfield does hereby urge the lawmakers representing Township of Bloomfield in the New Jersey State Legislature to fully fund the State’s Hazardous Lead Control Assistance Fund in the amount of \$10 million in order to ensure the health and safety of New Jersey’s youngest and most vulnerable residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk will send copies of this resolution to the Office of the Governor of New Jersey as well as the following legislators’ district offices: Senator Rice, Assemblywoman Tucker and Assemblyman Caputo

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I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on March 21, 2016.

Louise M. Paladano

 Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

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 Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution						
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<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	Carlos Pomares	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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