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**2011 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE PASSAIC VALLEY SEWERAGE COMMISSIONERS RETURN COST SAVINGS TO MUNICIPALITIES SERVED BY THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners ("PVSC") operate a sewage treatment system that serves, and is funded via user charges paid by, forty-eight municipalities in Passaic, Bergen, Essex and Hudson Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, from 2005 until 2011, the amounts assessed by the PVSC to the municipalities served by the system have increase approximately 50%; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of New Jersey and the current Executive Director of the PVSC have taken recent actions to reduce salaries, eliminate unnecessary employees, and otherwise eliminate waste and mismanagement within the organization; and

**WHEREAS**, these actions should save the PVSC millions of dollars annually; and

**WHEREAS**, the PVSC established assessments to be charged to the municipalities served by the system for 2011 before the recent actions to effect savings; and

**WHEREAS**, yet additional savings may found as the review of the organization's operations continues; and

**WHEREAS**, municipalities throughout New Jersey, including those served by the PVSC, are struggling to live within a 2% tax levy cap.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners should take whatever steps are necessary to put a tally on the savings realized by the cost-cutting actions thus far, apportion that savings among the municipalities served by the system, reduce the 2011 assessments accordingly, and issue the revised billing before the date by which municipalities must approve their 2011 budgets; and

AS TO FORM AND PROCEDURE  
ON BASIS OF FACTS SET FORTH

*Barbara J. Stearns*  
Director of Law-Township Attorney

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the PVSC continue its efforts to improvement management and eliminate waste in order to provide relief to the municipalities for 2012 and beyond; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New Jersey take whatever actions may be reasonable and/or necessary to ensure that the PVSC can and does take the actions requested in this resolution; and

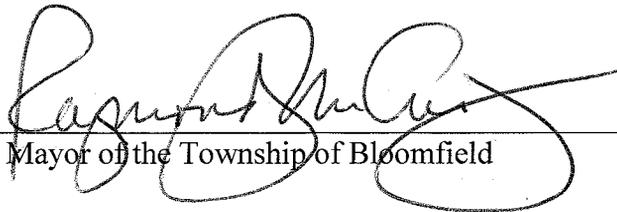
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Chris Christie, Senator Ronald L. Rice, Senator Stephen M. Sweeney, Senate President, Assemblyman Ralph R. Caputo, the Secretary to the New Jersey Senate, the Clerk of the New Jersey Assembly, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Conference of Mayors and the Clerks of all municipalities served by PVSC

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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, 2011.



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Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield



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Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

MAYOR & COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
COUNCILWOMAN MALY	✓			
COUNCILMAN JOANOW	✓			
COUNCILMAN RUANE	✓			
COUNCILMAN VENEZIA	✓			
COUNCILWOMAN DUNIGAN	✓			
COUNCILMAN HAMILTON	✓			
MAYOR McCARTHY	✓			

I hereby approve / disapprove of the passage of the attached Resolution.

  
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Yoshi Manale  
Township Administrator

If the Township Administrator disapproves of the attached Resolution the reasons are as follows: