

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

$$\rm R$-19-211$ RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CLEAN OCEAN ACTION $34^{\rm TH}$ ANNUAL FALL BEACH SWEEPS

WHEREAS, the 34th Annual Fall Beach Sweeps will take place on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Beach Sweeps program originated in 1985 with 72 volunteers at one location – Sandy Hook and thanks to many, the Beach Sweeps has expanded to 70 locations, including the Borough of Highlands and welcoming thousands of volunteers to participate; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's participation is an integral component for the success of this program as the data collected by our citizen scientists turns a one-day event into a legacy of information to combat litter and other sources of pollution by identifying and monitoring trends; and

WHEREAS, the information within our Beach Sweeps Report helps find solutions to keep beaches clean and healthy for citizens and marine life and to help create federal, state and local programs and laws to reduce litter in the environment; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Beach Sweeps program illustrates the public's support for a clean ocean as well as the power of citizen action and the ultimate goal of the program is to have naturally clean beaches.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Highlands governing body that it hereby authorizes the Borough's participation in the 34th Annual Fall Beach Sweeps Program on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.