



RESOLUTION 20-198

A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Leap Implementation Grant

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has appropriated \$10 million for Shared Services and School District Consolidation Study and Implementation Grants to assist local units with the study, development and implementation of new shared and regional services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) is tasked with administering these grant funds through the Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP); and

WHEREAS, \$2 million in LEAP Implementation Grant funds has been set allocated to support costs associated with school district consolidation studies; and

WHEREAS, Atlantic Highlands, Highlands, and Sea Bright have determined to evaluate whether Atlantic Highlands Elementary School, Highlands Elementary School and Henry Hudson Regional School may be able to attain improved educational quality and efficiencies through consolidation or regionalization with Sea Bright; and

WHEREAS, a formal study must be undertaken to accomplish this objective; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright has agreed to be the lead entity in conducting this study and will submit the application for financial support for this study to DLGS on behalf of all participating units.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Highlands does hereby join with Sea Bright and Atlantic Highlands in applying for a LEAP Implementation Grant to support undertaking the regionalization and consolidation study of Atlantic Highlands, Highlands and Sea Bright.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michelle Hutchinson, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Highlands in the County of Monmouth, and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the governing body of the Borough of Highlands at its meeting of September 2, 2020.

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
BRASWELL			X			
MAZZOLA		X	X			
RYAN			X			
VALKOS			X			
BROULLON	X		X			

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Date of Vote: September 2, 2020

Michelle Hutchinson, Acting Municipal Clerk