

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF MOUNT OLIVE AUTHORIZING A GRANT CONTRACT FOR THE
ACQUISITION OF THE "SOUTH BRANCH PRESERVE"**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Olive has been working in partnership with The Land Conservancy of New Jersey and other agencies to preserve Open Space within the Township for the benefit of the public; and

WHEREAS, the project entitled "South Branch Preserve" has been awarded a grant of \$2,600,000 from the Morris County Open Space Trust; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of the property will provide valuable resource protection of the South Branch Raritan River and watershed; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive that it does hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into a grant contract with Morris County and The Land Conservancy of New Jersey for the acquisition of the "South Branch Preserve", also known locally as Mount Olive Complex properties.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Phil Tobey, Council President

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution passed by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on January 19, 2010.

Lisa Lashway, Township Clerk