

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF MOUNT OLIVE SUPPORTING A GRANT APPLICATION TO
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF
BLOCK 7000 LOTS 64.01-64.17 AND 65**

WHEREAS, the Trust for Public Land has partnered with the New Jersey Conservation Foundation and the Township of Mount Olive to carefully negotiate a land purchase in the Township involving block 7000 lots 64.01 through 64.17 and lot 65; and

WHEREAS, the property contains areas of sensitive wetlands and important wildlife habitat very worthy of open space preservation; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the properties is supported by the Township and other organizations partnering to accomplish this major project known as Raritan Headwaters Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality is required to hold a public hearing and to submit a resolution of support authorizing a non-profit to submit an application to the Morris County Preservation Trust; and

WHEREAS, having held the required public hearing and agreeing to continue support of the project as a co-applicant using Green Acres Planning Incentive Grant funds awarded to the Township of Mount Olive.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Township supports the Trust for Public Land and New Jersey Conservation Foundation in filing an application to the Morris County Preservation Trust for 2009 funding and agrees to partner and participate in the process to bring the project to a successful conclusion.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Russell Tepper, Council President

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on

Lisa Lashway, Township Clerk