

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE REQUESTING THE MORRIS COUNTY  
CLERK TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL QUESTION ON THE GENERAL  
ELECTION BALLOT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive has owned and operated a water system which has approximately 2,300 customers, including residential, commercial and industrial; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive has approximately 6,300 total homes, which relates to the 2,300 customers representing only 1/3 of the taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive has, for a long period of time, been seeking alternative ways to do business i.e., rather than the Township owning and operating the water system, and has discussed this option of selling the water utility assets with the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council wishes to seek the vote of the residents, given the economic times, and the fact that the Township must think “out of the box” and attempt to utilize this approach to reduce property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council wishes to place a question on the ballot to proceed to seek quotes with enterprises experienced in the operation of water for the purchase of the water utility assets for a price between \$1,127,000 and \$5,750,000; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive that it does hereby request the Clerk of the County of Morris to include on the year’s general election ballot, the following municipal question:

**Mount Olive Township Public Question**

**Shall the Water Utility assets be sold to a Private Water Purveyor for a price exceeding \$3,000,000 to be utilized to reduce taxes?**

**YES** \_\_\_\_\_

**NO** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phil Tobey, Council President**

**I, HEREBY CERTIFY** the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on August 10, 2010.

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**Lisa M. Lashway, Township Clerk**