

0BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

RESOLUTION NO. 69 - 2008

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PETITION THE HIGHLANDS COUNCIL FOR
PLAN CONFORMANCE (NON-BINDING)**

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act), N.J.S.A. 13:20-1 *et seq.*, finds and declares that protection of the New Jersey Highlands is an issue of State level importance because of its vital link to the future of the State's drinking water supplies and other key natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act creates a coordinated land use planning system requiring the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) to prepare and adopt a Regional Master Plan for the Highlands Region and requiring that within nine to fifteen months after September 8, 2008, each county and municipality located wholly or partially in the Preservation Area must submit a Petition for Plan Conformance to the Highlands Council for that portion of its jurisdiction lying within the Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act specifies that conformance with the Regional Master Plan (Plan Conformance) requires revisions to municipal and county master plans and development regulations as applicable to the development and use of land to align them with the goals, requirements, and provisions of the Regional Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines require that for jurisdictions with any lands in the Preservation Area, a Notice of Intent to conform to the Regional Master Plan must be submitted to the Highlands Council as soon as practicable, but not later than February 1, 2009 and that for any lands in the Planning Area, a Notice of Intent may be submitted at any time; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Riverdale lies within the planning area of the Highlands Region as defined by the Highlands Act; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Riverdale, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Riverdale hereby provides the Highlands Council with this non-binding Notice of Intent to include all lands lying within the Borough of Riverdale in the petition to the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines, this Notice of Intent is not binding as no portion of the Borough lies within the preservation area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Notice of Intent provides notice to the Highlands Council that the Borough of Riverdale has set December 8, 2009 as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance.

Adopted:

Carol Talerico, Borough Clerk

William Budesheim, Mayor

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Carol J. Talerico, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Riverdale do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Riverdale at its meeting of November 17, 2008.

Carol J. Talerico, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk