



**TOWNSHIP OF DOWNE
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Bart, E.	X			
Byrne, S.	X			
Jordan, L.	X			
Rothman, M.	X			
Campbell, R.	X			

Resolution Number: R-48-2017 Dated: March 13, 2017 Offered By: BYRNE Seconded By: JORDAN

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF
CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS RESOLUTION #2017-148 REQUESTING THAT
THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION RECEIVED ITS FAIR SHARE
OF STATE AID AND/OR GENERAL PUBLIC BENEFITS**

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted Resolution 2017-148 at a meeting held on February 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Downe is in support of the aforementioned resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Senator Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs of Rutgers University issued a report dated November 15, 2016 entitled "Is South Jersey Getting Its "Fair Share" of Public Goods?"; and

WHEREAS, Central and North Jersey Counties show more income in both property values and average income compared to Southern New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Central and North Jersey Counties receive on average double what Southern New Jersey Counties receive in State Aid; and

WHEREAS, the report concluded that "Counties in the South of Jersey are far less likely than those in the North or Central regions to receive public goods, either as state aid, state assumption of project costs within the county, or general public benefits like transportation infrastructure, education, and good public health"; and


WHEREAS, based upon this conclusion, the Downe Township Committee is in support of the Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders petitioning the Governor of New Jersey and the Legislators of the First and Third Districts to review this report and to address any finding inequities.

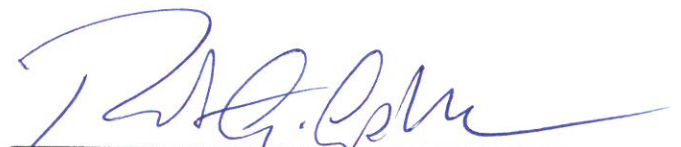
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Downe, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Township of Downe hereby strongly urges review of the aforesaid report for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto.
2. That copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the Legislators representing the First and Third Districts of Cumberland County, the New Jersey League of Municipalities and all Cumberland County Mayors.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Downe on March 13, 2017.

ATTEST:


Nadine Lockley, Acting Clerk


Robert Campbell, Mayor

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

The undersigned, Acting Clerk of the Township of Downe, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Downe Township Committee at its Regular Meeting held on March 13, 2017.

March 13, 2017
Date

Nadine Lockley
Nadine Lockley, Acting Clerk