

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER
CAPE MAY COUNTY
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 212-2011

RE: REQUESTING THE CAPE MAY COUNTY FREEHOLDERS TO CONSIDER
SUBMITTING A NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
GREEN ACRES PROGRAM LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR
LAND ACQUISITION AND PARK DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Cape May County is eligible to receive up to \$900,000.00 for land acquisition and park development for the County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Program by applying for a matching grant offered through NJDEP Green Acres Program; and

WHEREAS, Green Acres matching funding can be used to acquire land for recreation and conservation purposes that will provide opportunity for both physical and visual public access; and

WHEREAS, Green Acre matching grant funds may be used to assist in efforts to complete the Cape May National Wildlife Refuge, which has only acquired 11,800 acres of the 21,820 acres that congress envisioned necessary to protect wetlands and wildlife resources of international importance; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Cape May County Open Space and Recreation Plan recognizes that the County has an open space deficit of 4,001 acres and is in need of additional public recreational land and open space and therefore, recommends the maintenance and expansion of the existing County Park System, and the continuation of the County's Open Space preservation Program in conjunction and coordination with other public and private open space preservation programs; and

WHEREAS, ecotourism in Cape May County generates over \$522 million annually; and

WHEREAS, over \$260 million was approved through the last

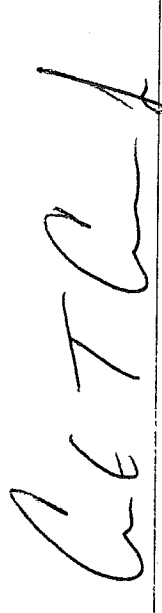
"Certified as a true copy of a
Resolution passed by the
Township Committee of the
Township of Upper at a regular
meeting held on October 11, 2011"

Deputy Municipal Clerk

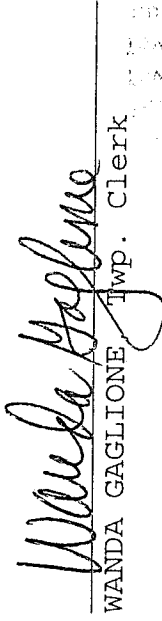
funding round of the "2009 Green Acres Bond Act" for local government open space acquisition and park development projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper, in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The allegations of the preamble are incorporated herein by this reference.
2. The Upper Township Committee requests the Cape May County Freeholders to consider submitting an NJDEP Green Acres Program Local Government Assistance Application for Land Acquisition and Park Development.
3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the County of Cape May Board of Chosen Freeholders.



Curtis T. Corson Jr., Dep. Mayor


WANDA GAGLIONE, Twp. Clerk

Resolution No.212 -2011
Offered by: Gabor
Adopted: October 11, 2011
Roll Call Vote:

Seconded by: Newman

<u>NAME</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAINED</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Conrad	X			
Corson	X			
Gabor	X			
Newman	X			
Palombo				X