

**TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #19-228

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO
HUNTERDON COUNTY MUNICIPAL GRANT FUND
(BROWNSTEIN PURCHASE)**

WHEREAS, the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders has approved an Open Space Trust Fund and established a Municipal Grants Program to provide County Funds in connection with preserving open space, natural areas, farmland and historic sites; and preservation of historic structures, properties, facilities, sites, areas, or objects; or for the payment of debt service or indebtedness issued or incurred by the municipality for any of the purposes described above; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Raritan desires to further the public interest by obtaining funding in the amount of \$135,925.00 from the County of Hunterdon to fund the following project: Purchase of the Brownstein Property, 39 and 37 Decker Road, Block 22, Lots 24 (partial) and 25.03, Raritan Township, Hunterdon County, at a cost of \$273,456.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Raritan, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey that the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to:

- a) Make application for such County Open Space Trust Funds;
- b) Provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required, and act as the authorized correspondent of the above-named Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hunterdon shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Hunterdon County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Plan, applicable Freeholder Board Policies and the Procedures Manual for the Municipal Grant Program adopted thereto, and notify the Municipality of the amount of the funding award; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality is willing to use the County funds in accordance with such adopted policies and procedures, and applicable state and local government rules, regulations and statutes;

WHEREAS, the Municipality plans to utilize the Brownstein property for passive recreation, which will be a model nature preservation site, and the Municipality plans to utilize Open Space funds for maintenance, passive recreation and all other uses as per N.J.S.A. 40:12-15 7(b). Funds generated from the Township Wildlife Management Program and County Municipal

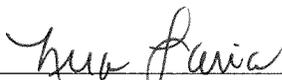
Grants, if available, will also be used to support the overall maintenance and development of the Brownstein Preserve.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Raritan, Hunterdon County, State of New Jersey;

- 1) That the Administrator of the above-named Municipality is hereby authorized to execute any documents and agreements with the County of Hunterdon known as the Brownstein Property;
- 2) That the Municipality has its share of funds, if required, in the amount of \$ 273,456.00;
- 3) That, in the event the County of Hunterdon's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the applicant has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project;
- 4) That the applicant agrees to comply with all the applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations in its performance of the project; and
- 5) That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN**



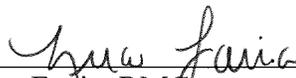
Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk



Jeff Kuhl
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Lisa Fania, Clerk of the Township of Raritan, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true, complete and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan at a meeting held on October 1, 2019.



Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk