

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

RESOLUTION #18-241

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SEEKING RESOURCES
FROM GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO COMBAT
EMERALD ASH BORER/INSECT INFESTATIONS**

WHEREAS, insect infestations are problematic and require extensive resources to combat; and

WHEREAS, there is a concern in the Township of Raritan and surrounding municipalities in Hunterdon County that the Emerald Ash Borer has the distinct probability of killing the vast majority of ash trees in our region; and

WHEREAS, the result will leave many dead and dying ash trees, posing a legitimate and serious threat to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the financial burden of removing these dead and dying ash trees will most certainly prove to be extensive.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Raritan supports the County of Hunterdon in seeking financial support for the actions that must be undertaken to properly steward public properties in the Township of Raritan, the County of Hunterdon and all other municipalities located therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Raritan supports the County of Hunterdon to petition the following governmental agencies to consider the eligibility of resources at their disposal to help combat and remediate the damage and cost associated with preventative treatment of healthy ash trees and removal of those that are dead or dying:

- *New Jersey Department of Agriculture
- *New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- *New Jersey Department of Agriculture Protections, Division of Parks and Forestry
- *United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services
- *United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service
- *United States Department of Agriculture, National Resource Conservation Services
- *United States Department of Agriculture, National Resource Conservation Services,
New Jersey Office

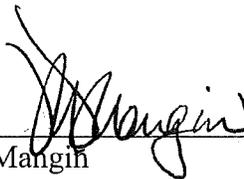
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be shared with the Governor of the State of New Jersey, 16th District Legislative Representatives, Hunterdon County Municipalities and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN**



Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk



Michael Mangin
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 December 4, 2018.



Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk