

TOWN OF HARPERSFIELD

RESOLUTION NO. 007 OF THE YEAR 2007

At the regular meeting of the Town of Harpersfield Town Board held on October 1, 2007, Councilman Morris Riddell Jr. offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Harpersfield is calling on all the involved with the proposed 10-year Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD) issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to scale back the land acquisition portion and consider the grave detriment that \$300 million dollars of New York City (NYC) land purchases will have on our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Harpersfield Town Board feels that the EPA has acted in an arbitrary and capricious manner in so doing; and

WHEREAS, the Harpersfield Town Board fully supports the litigation being brought on behalf of all watershed municipalities against the United States Environmental Protection Agency by the CWT (Coalition of Watershed Towns), for violation of Federal Regulations as well as the MOA (Memorandum of Agreement) which will directly impact the issuance of this FAD that heeded no attention of comments or feelings of any local stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Harpersfield Town Board feels that this litigation is of the utmost importance for the future of the Town of Harpersfield, the County of Delaware, and all municipalities in the NYC Watershed. The CWT needs the full financial support from member municipalities to fully carry out this litigation, recognizing this most serious issue that will directly affect our futures; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Harpersfield Town Board will appropriate \$1,000.00 to the CWT to be used for litigation against the EPA to overturn the issuance of a 10-year FAD by the EPA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Harpersfield Town Board calls on all stake holders in the FAD: CWT Member Towns, Villages and Counties to consider sending financial contributions to the CWT for this specific litigation, and we additionally call on our New York State Representatives to provide financial assistance to the CWT in this litigation; recognizing that this issue is as important as other battles that are being supported currently; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Harpersfield Town Board directs a copy of this action be sent to all CWT members, with additional copies sent to Governor Eliot Spitzer, New York State Senators Bonacic and Seward, Assemblyman Cahill, Crouch

and Lopez, United States Senators Schumer and Clinton and Representative Gillibrand, the Catskill Watershed Corporation and Delaware County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Seconded by Councilwoman Catherine Straus with a roll call vote as follows:

Adopted:	James Eisel Sr.	Supervisor	Aye.
	Harold Bedford	Councilman	Aye.
	Morris Riddell Jr.	Councilman	Aye.
	Catherine Straus	Councilwoman	Aye.
	Robert Reeve Jr.	Councilman	Aye.



Linda E. Goss, Town Clerk
Town of Harpersfield
October 2, 2007

