RESOLUTION #09-155

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY SUPPORTING THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY TRANIST PLAN AND LIGHT RAIL THROUGH WOODBURY FROM CAMDEN TO GLASSBORO

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Port Authority PATCO Division has prepared and presented an Alternatives Analysis and proposed a Southern New Jersey Transit Plan and a new light rail line from Camden to Glassboro along the existing Conrail Right of Way with two stations in Woodbury (one serving the hospital area and other serving the downtown area); and

WHEREAS, this plan has been deemed consistent with New Jersey's smart growth goals, protecting the environment by reducing emissions and fossil fuel consumption, creating jobs, reducing traffic congestion, and providing for revitalization of existing urban centers, such as Woodbury; and

WHEREAS, the transit plan and light rail have been subject to extensive outreach, technical analysis, and multi-agency review in which the officials and residents of the City of Woodbury have participated; and

WHEREAS, the project is supported by the Governor's office, the County of Gloucester and other municipalities and has been funded in the amount of \$500 million by the State of New Jersey and serves as an example of government working together at all levels; and

WHEREAS, a similar light rail project between Camden and Trenton, NJ Transit's River Line, has proven to be successful, stimulating economic growth and revitalization, and further the New Jersey State Police Unified Crime Report shows that crime statistics have generally decreased in communities along the River Line; and

WHEREAS, the City will continue to work closely with DRPA PATCO to address potential impacts from the light rail proposal including safety, noise, roadway crossings, security, station development and transit village opportunities, parking, access and other issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Woodbury, County of Gloucester, the Mayor concurring, support the Southern New Jersey Transit Plan and extension of light rail service from Camden to Glassboro with two stations to serve Woodbury.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Woodbury held on July 13, 2009.

C.BARRY SLOANE President of Council

ATTEST:

THOMAS B. BOWE, Clerk/Administrator

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

I, THOMAS B. BOWE, Clerk/Administrator of the City of Woodbury do hereby certify that the attached resolution:

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is a true and exact copy of the original resolution signed by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Woodbury on July 13, 2009.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Woodbury on this day of July 14, 2009.

THOMAS B. BOWE

Clerk/Administrator