BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

# RESOLUTION 22-164

**DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FOR PROJECT COSTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW JERSEY WATER BANK**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the "Borrower") intends to acquire, construct, renovate and/or install the environmental infrastructure project more fully described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto (the "Project");

**WHEREAS**, the Borrower intends to finance the Project with debt obligations of the Borrower (the "Project Debt Obligations") but may pay for certain costs of the Project (the "Project Costs") prior to the issuance of the Project Debt Obligations with funds of the Borrower that are not borrowed funds;

**WHEREAS**, the Borrower reasonably anticipates that obligations, the interest on which is excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), will be issued by the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (the "Issuer") to finance the Project on a long-term basis by making a loan to the Borrower with the proceeds of the Issuer's obligations (the "Project Bonds"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Borrower desires to preserve its right to treat an allocation of proceeds of the Project Debt Obligations to the reimbursement of Project Costs paid prior to the issuance of the Project Debt Obligations as an expenditure for such Project Costs to be reimbursed for purposes of Sections 103 and 141 through 150, inclusive, of the Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the Borrower as follows:

**Section 1.**   The Borrower reasonably expects to reimburse its expenditure of Project Costs paid prior to the issuance of the Project Debt Obligations with proceeds of its Project Debt Obligations.

**Section 2.**   This resolution is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Borrower's official intent to reimburse the expenditure of Project Costs paid prior to the issuance of the Project Debt Obligations with the proceeds of a borrowing to be incurred by the Borrower, in accordance with Treasury Regulations §150-2.

**Section 3.**   The maximum principal amount of the Project Debt Obligations expected to be issued to finance the Project is $5,050,000.

**Section 4.**   The Project Costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the Project Debt

Obligations will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of Section 1.150-2 of the Code.

**Section 5.** No reimbursement allocation will employ an "abusive arbitrage device" under Treasury Regulations §1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage restrictions or to avoid the restrictions under Sections 142 through 147, inclusive, of the Code. The proceeds of the Project Bonds used to reimburse the Borrower for Project Costs, or funds corresponding to such amounts, will not be used in a manner that results in the creation of "replacement proceeds", including "sinking funds", "pledged funds" or funds subject to a "negative pledge" (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1), of the Project Debt Obligations or another issue of debt obligations of the Borrower, other than amounts deposited into a "bona fide debt service fund" (as defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1).

**Section 6.** All reimbursement allocations will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date the expenditure from a source other than the Project Debt Obligations is paid, or (ii) the date the Project is "placed in service" (within the meaning of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2) or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the expenditure is paid.

**Section 7.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion to Approve R 22-164:

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| CHELAK | | X | X | | | |
| MELNYK | | | X | | | |
| OLSZEWSKI | | | X | | | |
| BROULLON | X | | X | | | |

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DATE OF VOTE: July 13, 2022
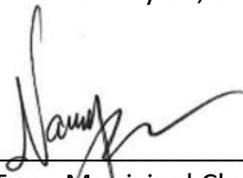
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Nancy Tran, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Highlands