

Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2016 - 183 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S688 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A292 WHICH PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION UNDER THE HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING ACT FOR ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELD CONSTRUCTION BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

WHEREAS, Senator Robert M. Gordon and Senator Joseph Pennacchio have introduced legislation in the New Jersey State Senate that would amend P.L. 2004 c.120; and

WHEREAS, Assemblywoman BettyLou DeCroce has introduced legislation in the New Jersey State Assembly that would amend P.L. 2004 c.120; and

WHEREAS, said amendments would provide an exemption from the requirements of the "Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act" (P.L. 2004 c.120) for the construction of artificial turf fields by a local government unit; and

WHEREAS, West Milford is located in the Highlands Preservation Zone; and

WHEREAS, under current law, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act provides an exemption to public or private schools for making improvements, such as the construction of artificial turf fields; and

WHEREAS, S688 and A292 would allow such fields to be constructed by local government units as well.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor & Township Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, hereby urge the New Jersey State Senate to support Bill S688 and the State Assembly to support Bill A292; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to all of the Township's Legislative Representatives, the Bills' Sponsors and the municipalities located in the Highlands Region.

Adopted: May 18, 2016

Adopted this 18th day of May, 2016
and certified as a true copy of an original.

Antoinette Battaglia, Township Clerk