## **Township of West Milford**

Passaic County, New Jersey

## ~ Resolution 2022 - 150 ~

RESOLUTION OF TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING FU MEI FARMS CORPORATION'S APPLICATION TO THE CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A MICRO BUSINESS CLASS 1 CANNABIS CULTIVATOR LICENSE

- **WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey legalized the cultivation, manufacturing, sale and distribution of recreational cannabis pursuant to the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act; and
- **WHEREAS**, the legalization of cannabis for recreational use will likely spawn a significant industry throughout the State of New Jersey; and
- **WHEREAS**, the new industry can provide substantial financial and social benefits to the Township of West Milford (the "Township"); and
- **WHEREAS**, this new industry will create employment opportunities through its four sectors of growers, processors, wholesalers and retailers; and
  - WHEREAS, the Township is in position to benefit from all four sectors of the industry; and
- **WHEREAS** the Township passed Ordinances 2021-029 and 2021-036 (collectively, the "Ordinances") and as amended, which, in part permit a limited number of licensed Cannabis businesses to operate in specific zones within the Township; and
- **WHEREAS**, Fu Mei Farms Corporation ("Fu Mei Farms") demonstrated proof that it has secured a one acre portion for its proposed operations at Greenwood Lake Turnpike, Block 4601, Lot 21, West Milford, NJ (the "Location"); and
- **WHEREAS**, the Township has authorized the type of cannabis business license being sought by Fu Mei Farms within its jurisdiction, namely a Class 1 Cultivation License; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Township has imposed a limit on the number of licensed cannabis businesses, and the issuance of a license to Fu Mei Farms by the State of New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("CRC") would not exceed that limit; and
- WHEREAS, the Council is satisfied that Fu Mei Farms will have a positive impact on the Township's community, and, subject to Fu Mei Farms' receipt of a Micro Business Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator License from the CRC, Planning Board site plan approval or Board of Adjustment approval and its receipt of a municipal permit from the Township in accordance with all applicable Township Ordinances, will satisfy all applicable requirements to operate cannabis cultivating in the Township;
- **WHEREAS,** the Zoning Officer has issued a letter dated March 15, 2022 indicating that the location will conform to municipal zoning requirements allowing for activities related to the operation of the proposed cannabis cultivator as required by N.J.A.C §17:30-7.8(a)4.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that the Township supports Fu Mei Farms' Micro Business Class 1 Cannabis Cultivation License application to the CRC, and is satisfied that Fu Mei Farms' location is suitable for its proposed cannabis cultivating activities, subject to its compliance with the Ordinances and obtaining all necessary state, municipal and planning board or zoning approvals to conduct operations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Fu Mei Farms' ability to operate its proposed micro cultivation business in West Milford is subject to: (1) Fu Mei Farms' receipt of a Micro Business Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator License from the CRC; and (2) Fu Mei Farms' compliance with all local Ordinances and receipt of all necessary state, municipal and planning board or zoning approvals to conduct operations.

Adopted this 6 <sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022
and certified as a true copy of an original.
William Senande, Township Clerk