ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD JOINING THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has been engaged in the process to establish a competitive market place through deregulation and restructuring of the electric utility market; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a government aggregator and an Energy Aggregation Program to purchase electric generation service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et. Seq., and N.J.A.C. 14:4-6.1 et. Seq., will increase competition for the provision of electric power to residential and non-residential users, thereby increasing the likelihood of lower electric rates for these users without causing any interruption of service; and

WHEREAS, under the aggregation process, the residential and non-residential rate payers may likely received a direct reduction in electric bills; and

WHEREAS, the Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders passed a resolution on July 10, 2013 establishing an Energy Aggregation Program and thus become an aggregator of electricity pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-91.3 to 98 for all member municipalities of the County to achieve maximum energy cost savings; and

WHEREAS, Gloucester County shall only award a contract for service to consumers where the rate is the same or lower than the price of basic generation service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-57 at the time of the award; and

WHEREAS, the realization of energy cost savings is in the best interest of all the residents of this Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that aggregation could benefit their residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the aggregation consultant administers the electric supply bid process at no risk or cost to the county, municipality or consumer; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Deptford wishes to join the Gloucester County Energy Aggregation Program in order to realize maximum energy cost savings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Deptford in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey as follows:

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- 1. That the Township shall participate in the Gloucester County Energy Aggregation Program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et. Seq;
- 2. That the Township Administrator of the Township of Deptford be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to participate in the Gloucester County Energy Aggregation Program and the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to the execution of said documents; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.



TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD PAUL MEDANY, MAYOR

ATTES DINA L. ZAWADSKI, TOWNSHIP CLERK

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Work Session Meeting of Township Council of the Township of Deptford held on the 21st day of April, 2014 and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a Regular Meeting at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard. Said meeting to be held on the 5th day of May, 2014 at the Municipal Building, 1011 Cooper Street, Deptford, New Jersey.

DINA L. ZÁWADSKI, TOWNSHIP CLERK

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