

**BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 25- 182

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE "GREEN AMENDMENT" TO THE
NEW JERSEY STATE CONSTITUTION**

WHEREAS, the right of New Jersey citizens to clean water, air and a healthy environment is not explicitly recognized in the State of New Jersey's Constitution; and

WHEREAS, clean water, air and a healthy environment are fundamental to sustaining healthy lives and a healthy economy; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has a long history of environmental protection and leadership in protecting the health and environment of the citizens of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, while environmental laws are designed to manage pollution, clean up and remediate contamination, and conserve natural resources, these laws do not explicitly support the notion that clean air, clean water, and a healthy environment are fundamental, inalienable rights; and

WHEREAS, there are a multitude of threats to New Jersey's water, air, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of these facts, the New Jersey Senate and Assembly have introduced a proposed amendment to the State Constitution that is known as the Green Amendment (ACR119/SCR43) to be inserted into Article I, New Jersey's bill of rights, to provide each person's right to pure water, clean air and a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believe that the Green Amendment is in the best interests of the residents, businesses and institutions of the Borough of Collingswood and, as such, hereby desires to express its support for the Green Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Collingswood Board of Commissioners, in the interest of protecting its residents, businesses and institutions, hereby strongly expresses their support for the passage of the Green Amendment.

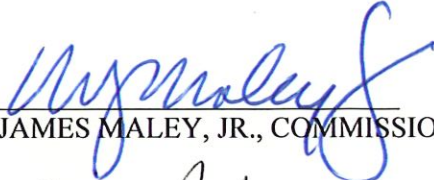
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Collingswood Municipal Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the following officials and organizations:

- New Jersey Governor, Philip D. Murphy;
- The Commissioner of the NJ Department of Environmental Protection;
- NJ Senate President, Nicholas Scutari;

- NJ Assembly Speaker, Craig Coughlin; and
- The New Jersey League of Municipalities.

This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of adoption.

Adopted: _____


M. JAMES MALEY, JR., COMMISSIONER


AMY HENDERSON RILEY, COMMISSIONER


DANIELA SOLANO-WARD, MAYOR


K. HOLLY MANNEL, BOROUGH CLERK