

DRAFT RESOLUTION

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Township of \_\_\_\_\_,  
that

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Township of \_\_\_\_\_  
to promote matters which benefit the health, welfare, comfort and  
safety of the citizens of the community, and

WHEREAS, scientific studies associate exposure to pesticides with asthma, cancer, developmental and  
learning disabilities, nerve and immune system damage, liver or kidney damage, reproductive impairment,  
birth defects and disruption of the endocrine system, and

WHEREAS, infants, children, pregnant women, the elderly and people with compromised immune systems  
and chemical sensitivities are especially vulnerable to pesticide effects and exposure, and

WHEREAS, lawn pesticides are harmful to pets, wildlife, soil microbiology, plants, and natural ecosystems  
and can run off into streams, lakes and drinking water sources, and,

WHEREAS, Integrated Pest Management is the coordinated use of pest and  
environmental information and all available pest control methods (sanitation,  
mechanical, biological and “least toxic” chemical) to prevent unacceptable levels of pest  
damage by the most economical means with the least possible hazard to people,  
property and the environment, and

WHEREAS, Integrated Pest management has been investigated and considered by  
the Environmental Commission and its recommended by  
the Environmental Commission as a desirable and appropriate policy in order to reduce or eliminate the use  
of pesticides, and

WHEREAS, the Township of \_\_\_\_\_ does maintain public properties at which  
pest management issues are an ongoing concern, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best  
interest of the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the Township’s  
citizens to adopt Integrated Pest Management at the Township’s pest  
management policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of \_\_\_\_\_  
that the Township does hereby adopt Integrated Pest Management, as  
the pest control policy and strategy to be employed in the maintenance of the  
Township’s public properties and facilities, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of \_\_\_\_\_ encourage all  
citizens to make every effort to participate in this endeavor on their own property, and that the Township  
will designate certain public properties such as community parks as “Pesticide Free Zones”. These areas  
will be posted with a sign indicated that chemical pesticides have not been applied at the site.

Adopted by Council on \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Township Clerk

Please send a copy of the resolution to NJ Environmental Federation, 223 Park Ave., Marlton, NJ 08053 or  
fax to 856-768-6662