

**RESOLUTION 2014-
RESOLUTION SUPPORTS AN INCREASE IN THE DEDICATED \$25 MILLION
ANNUAL ALLOCATION FOR THE SHORE PROTECTION FUND**

Mayor Engelstad offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Whereas, the dedicated \$25 million annual allocation for the New Jersey Shore Protection Fund has supported a unique and successful cost-sharing partnership with the federal government in replenishing eroded beaches along the 137 mile Jersey Coast from Middlesex to Cape May County and provides needed matching funds for the NJ DEP’s numerous other municipal coastal projects; and

Whereas, Super Sandy demonstrated the value of well-nourished wide beaches with dune systems in protecting life and property along the coast and preventing more extensive damage to critical infrastructure; and

Whereas, miles of sandy beaches, bustling boardwalks and busy coastal waterways contribute over \$19 billion in tourism revenue annually- one half of the State’s total \$38 billion tourism revenue; and

Whereas, the Jersey Shore coastline provides an unsurpassed combination of ecological riches, economic opportunity and quality of life for both residents and visitors alike; and

Whereas, we must be proactive, not reactive, in preparing for the inevitable onset of more frequent Sandy-like storms in light of sea level rise, climate change and increasing development along the coast; and

Whereas, New Jersey, working with the Army Corps of Engineers, must develop a more comprehensive plan which includes inland waterways that increasingly flood coastal and urban communities, including the back bays and barrier islands; and

Whereas, the \$25 million allocated from the Shore Protection Fund is insufficient to meet current and anticipated future matching costs of Corps of Engineers and State replenishment projects and other needed coastal protection projects by the numerous coastal municipalities in New Jersey.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bradley Beach, County of Monmouth calls on the elected officials of New Jersey to increase funding for the dedicated \$25 million New Jersey Shore Protection Fund to meet the needs of future coastal protection projects and to provide a further incentive for federal matching funds.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Clerk is hereby directed and authorized to send copies of this Resolution to Governor Chris Christie, members of the New Jersey Legislature and to the Jersey Shore Partnership.

Seconded by Councilman _____ and adopted upon the following vote:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Cotler				
Mr. Volante				
Mr. Goldfarb				
Mr. Galassetti				
Mayor Engelstad				

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary Ann Solinski, Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bradley Beach, Monmouth County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council at the August 26, 2014 meeting.

MARY ANN SOLINSKI, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk