RESOLUTION No. 162 of 2013 REGARDING CITY OF MARGATE CITY PARTICIPATION IN THE BRIGANTINE INLET TO GREAT EGG HARBOR INLET, ABSECON ISLAND, NJ SHORE PROTECTION PROJECT FOR VOTER APPROVAL ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2013 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

WHEREAS, the City of Margate City Board of Commissioners desires to ascertain the sentiment of the voters of the City of Margate City (hereinafter "Margate") with regard to Margate entering into a Cooperative Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection and the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the purpose of implementing a Shore Protection Project which includes beach replenishment and the creation of dunes along the beachfront of Margate; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this ballot question is for the voters of Margate to express their sentiment and give direction to the Margate Board of Commissioners regarding Margate entering into the Cooperative Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this ballot question and the determination by the voters shall be advisory in nature and **<u>non-binding</u>** on the Margate Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Margate City Board of Commissioners hereby requests that the Atlantic County Clerk place the following question on the November 5, 2013 General Election Ballot:

"Shall the City of Margate City enter into a Shore Protection Project pursuant to a Project Cooperative Agreement captioned "Brigantine Inlet to Great Egg Harbor Inlet, Absecon Island, NJ Shore Protection Project" dated July 31, 2003 and as amended, which Agreement may obligate the City of Margate City to execute a contract with 40 years remaining at no initial cost for the placement of sand and dune grass and with costs of drainage and acquisition of easements as yet to be determined."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following interpretive statement concerning the above question be placed on the November 5, 2013 General Election Ballot for the City of Margate City:

"This question, if approved by the Voters, will give direction to the Margate City Board of Commissioners to enter into a Cooperative Agreement Agreement so as to implement the aforesaid Absecon Island Shore Protection Project. The Shore Protection Project will include a beach nourishment and the construction of sand dunes on the public beaches of Margate. The initial placement of sand and dune grass has been advised to be free. Costs for obtaining easements from residential property owners and the Margate Fishing Pier as well as future costs of maintenance and replenishment are unknown at this time."

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and shall be transmitted forthwith to the Atlantic County Clerk's Office.

Date: August 15, 2013

I, **THOMAS HILTNER, Municipal Clerk** for the **City of Margate City**, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the **City of Margate City Board of Commissioners** held this 15th day of August, 2013 and in witness whereof I have hereunder set my hand and official seal on this date of August 15, 2013.

Thomas D. Hiltner, City Clerk