

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION

No. _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

FACTUAL CONTENTS CERTIFIED TO BY

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

TITLE

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NEW JERSEY ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 198 OPPOSING
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HAZARDOUS WASTE INCINERATOR IN FALLS TOWNSHIP,
PENNSYLVANIA**

Whereas Assembly Resolution 198 was introduced by Assemblyman Herb Conway, Jr. and Assemblywoman Carol A. Murphy of Burlington County, New Jersey on October 22, 2018; and

Whereas Assembly Resolution 198 opposes the construction of a hazardous waste incinerator in Falls Township, Pennsylvania by Elcon Recycling Services. Elcon Recycling Services is an industrial waste treatment service provider based in Israel which processes hazardous waste produced by chemical, pharmaceutical and other companies; and

Whereas the only Elcon Recycling Services facility operates in Israel where its Haifa Bay facility has been ordered to shut down and relocate due to its history of violations and air and groundwater emissions standards and its negative impact and pollution to the surrounding environment; and

Whereas Elcon Recycling Services has been denied authorization to build in Italy due to environmental issues, and in 2015 the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection denied their request to construct a facility in the Keystone Industrial Port Complex in Falls Township, Pennsylvania for failing to demonstrate compliance with flood-hazardous regulations; and

Whereas in July 2018 Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection announced that Elcon submitted all necessary documentation for the facility in Falls Township, Pennsylvania which is extremely close to the Delaware River which is a primary source of drinking water and a popular recreational destination for millions of New Jersey and Pennsylvania residents and visitors; and

Whereas a hazardous waste treatment facility will degrade and pollute the surrounding area and waterways which will be detrimental to residents, wildlife and the environment, along with the high probability of pollution from both permitted and accidental discharges would affect air quality in the region and the water quality of the Delaware River, Chesapeake Bay and other bodies of water

Whereas Assembly Bill 198 will help protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of the Hamilton Township and other neighboring communities in the State of New Jersey, Mercer and Burlington Counties;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Council of the Township of Hamilton, in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, that the Council supports the adoption of Assembly Resolution 198.

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL ON _____

MAY 7, 2019

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