TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK, NJ RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, New Jersey Department of Transportation is considering transportation enhancement strategies for the Route 4 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Township of Teaneck purchased land along the proposed highway in the 1930's with tax money to create a non-commercial area and this Greenbelt has been included in Teaneck's Master Plans dating from 1930; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Township of Teaneck value the Route 4 Greenbelt which we define as whatever is green along both sides of Route 4 within the Township of Teaneck including state and municipal land; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Teaneck has as its priority to preserve the Greenbelt and provide for the safety of travelers using Route 4; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Teaneck wishes to present the following recommendations to the NJDOT for their inclusion in the planning for improvements to Route 4 in Teaneck:

- 1) Route 4 should be viewed as a transportation corridor accommodating the needs of mass transit commuters, pedestrians, bicyclists, as well as automobiles, buses and commercial vehicles. Improvements should also include the re-opening of the West Shore Railroad for commuter rail service.
- 2) While the Council of the Township of Teaneck supports the widening of Route 4 to three lanes in each direction with a median barrier, it believes that this can be accomplished with minimum invasion of the Greenbelt.
- 3) Any open space taken for the improvements to Route 4 needs to be compensated by purchasing open space within the Township of Teaneck, at the expense of the State of New Jersey.
- 4) Acceleration and deceleration lanes should be provided for roads that access Route 4, but two of these intersections, however present very special problems with respect to preserving the Greenbelt and highway appearance. These are Belle Avenue and Queen Anne Road intersection. In each of these cases, further discussion will be required, as the details of the design are developed.

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- 5) Any consideration of closing exits / entrances along the highway needs to address the issue of emergency services access to highway and turn around of large vehicles on newly created dead end Township streets.
- 6) Signage and lighting plans for Route 4 need to be visually non-intrusive to residential areas near Route 4 and consistent with the surrounding Greenbelt.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Teaneck that the aforementioned recommendations be forwarded to the appropriate officials of the New Jersey Department of Transportation formulating transportation strategies to improve the Route 4 corridor.

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