

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER
R-46-12

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ORIGINAL LEGISLATION CREATING THE
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE PROGRAM UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF
MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, Legislation created P.L. 1989 establishing the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, and the creating of a network of volunteers throughout New Jersey's communities called the Municipal Alliance Program funded through Drug Enforcement Demand Reduction Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Drug Enforcement Demand Reduction Fund was created by imposing fines on drug offenders, not tax payer dollars, and using those funds to support education and public awareness activities by the Alliance; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Alliance Program was created to allow change to be developed from the ground up, allowing communities to make local decisions and empower them to make change from within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Alliance Program was created to address community specific needs as towns within a county do not have the same problems, and often within a town there are different specific needs in the various sections of a community. Community volunteers know town-specific information and are better situated to identify and address the problems and issues; and

WHEREAS, the network is citizen driven through community coalitions, and administered by agreements between local, county, and state government. This structure follows Open Public Meetings Acts with the public having an opportunity to voice their concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin supports the Municipal Alliance Programs including administration as oversight of the local grassroots prevention efforts and the local governing body's organization of the Municipal Alliance Committees as original legislation supports a prevention effort from the ground up.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Governor Chris Christie, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Assembly Speaker John Burzichelli, and Assemblywoman Celeste Riley, who represent legislative districts with municipalities in the County of Gloucester.

ADOPTED at a Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Franklin on Tuesday, February 14, 2012.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

CAROLYN K. TOY, CLERK

JOSEPH C. PETSCH, MAYOR

CERTIFICATION

I, Carolyn K. Toy, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin at a meeting held on February 14, 2012.

Carolyn K. Toy, Clerk