

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN**  
**R-168-20**

**SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A FACILITY FOR  
CANNABIS CULTIVATION AND MANUFACTURING  
ON PREMISES OWNED BY VISCONTI BROTHERS PROPERTIES, L.L.C.  
LOCATED AT 4801 LAKE ROAD**

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2010, New Jersey’s State Legislature (the “State”) enacted New Jersey’s Compassionate Use Medical Marijuana Act, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:61-1 et seq. (The “Compassionate Use Act”); and

WHEREAS, the State has declared that modern medical research has discovered a beneficial use for Marijuana in treating or alleviating the pain or other symptoms associated with certain debilitating medical conditions, as found by the National Academy of Sciences’ Institute of Medicine in March 1999; and

WHEREAS, the State has joined this health and welfare initiative for its citizens along with thirty-three (33) other jurisdictions to permit the use of Medical Marijuana. The list includes Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Washington D.C., Guam and Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, the overarching purpose of the Compassionate Use Act is to protect those patients who use Marijuana to alleviate suffering from debilitating medical conditions, as well as their physicians, primary care givers, and those who are authorized to produce marijuana for medical purposes; and

WHEREAS, certain property exists within the Township consisting of 48.5 acres, which is suitable to be developed with facilities for the construction and operation of cannabis cultivation facilities, both indoor and greenhouse facilities; manufacturing, production, packaging and transportation of cannabis products, including edibles, ointments, oils, concentrates and similar and comparable products, the sale of cannabis and cannabis products to other product manufacturing facilities and to retail cannabis stores, and to any other related or ancillary use, except for the dispensing of cannabis or sale to uses of cannabis, to take place at the property, all of the foregoing for medicinal and recreational (to the extent permitted by State law); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Franklin Township hereby joins the Compassionate Use Act’s initiative, and supports and endorses any application for State licensure to operate a facility for the cannabis cultivation and manufacturing on premises owned by Visconti Brothers Properties, L.L.C., located at 4801 Lake Road within the Township of Franklin; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Franklin Township will begin all necessary actions, if any, within thirty (30) days of the award of a licensure by the State of New Jersey Department of Health to HillView Med, maintaining its principal office at 30 Hillview Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035, or to such other qualified and licensed party designated by Visconti Brothers Properties, L.L.C., to establish and operate a facility for cannabis cultivation and manufacturing on the Visconti property located at 4801 Lake Road within the Township of Franklin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township recognizes the salutary effects associated with the medical use of cannabis.

2. The Township finds that it is important to provide for and protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester and the State of New Jersey, consistent with the purpose associated New Jersey’s Compassionate Use Medical Marijuana Act., N.J.S.A. 24:51-1et. seq.

3. As such, the Township hereby supports the initiative taken by Visconti Brothers Properties, L.L.C. to designate a licensee, for State licensure, to operate a facility for cannabis cultivation and manufacturing, for both medicinal and recreational usage (to the extent permitted by State Law) within the Township’s boundaries, particularly at 4801 Lake Road, subject to, and in accordance with, all applicable ordinances.

4. The Township will begin all necessary actions (if any) within thirty (30) days of the award of licensure, as being required by the State of New Jersey, to HillView Med or to such other qualified and licensed party designated by Visconti Brothers Properties, L.L.C. to establish and operate such a facility for the cultivation and manufacturing of cannabis on property owned by Visconti Brothers Properties, L.L.C. at 4801 Lake Road.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

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Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk

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John Bruno, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting of the Franklin Township Committee held on October 27, 2020.

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Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk