

**RESOLUTION  
TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND/OR HER DESIGNEE  
TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE NJDEP AND THE  
NJ SPILL COMPENSATION FUND  
R-96-13**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Franklin has through tax foreclosure become the owner of certain lands and premises commonly referred to as Meredith Farms and known on the tax maps of Franklin Township as Block 6805, Lots 8 – 15 and 18 – 19; and

**WHEREAS**, in conjunction with the prior owners neglect, the NJDEP through the Spill Compensation Fund previously expended \$113,491.73 which judgment was docketed and which judgment is superior to the title held by the Township of Franklin in said real property; and

**WHEREAS**, said judgment lien of the NJDEP has continued to accrue interest since 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee believes it is necessary to discharge said lien in order to properly enter into a redevelopment agreement in order to bring the site back into utility and to place it back on the tax rolls of the Township of Franklin; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee engaged in negotiations with the NJDEP resulting in a compromise multi-year payment plan in the total amount of \$90,000 payable over the next five years in six installments in accordance with the terms and conditions of the attached agreement between the Township of Franklin and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee believes it is in the best interest of the residents of the Township of Franklin to have the judgment lien of the NJDEP discharged with regard to the Meredith Farms property and that the Mayor and/or her designee be and is hereby empowered and authorized to execute the attached agreement with the NJDEP and the New Jersey Spill Compensation Fund.

**ADOPTED** at the regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin on Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

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BARBARA FREIJOMIL, CLERK

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JOSEPH C. PETSCH, DEP. 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 June 11, 2013.

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BARBARA FREIJOMIL, CLERK