

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 provides for substantial federal funds being made to certain urban communities for use therein through the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Entitlement Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Shelters Grants Program (“ESG”) provided through Subtitle B of Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (the “Act”) permits for substantial federal funds allocated to prevent homelessness and to enable homeless individuals and families to move toward independent living; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act establishes certain criteria which must be met in order for a county to be recipient of said funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq., provides a mechanism through which counties and municipalities may enter into agreements for the provision of joint services; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Essex and the Township of West Orange wish to enter into a Cooperation Agreement that establishes a legal mechanism through which the county government may apply for, receive, and disburse federal funds available to establish urban counties under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act, the CDBG Entitlement Program, and Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (“NAHA”), the HOME Program, to undertake or assist in the undertaking such actions in cooperation with the participating municipalities as may be necessary to participate in the benefits of these programs; and

**WHEREAS**, this Cooperation Agreement shall cover activities with the annual CDBG funds from the Federal Fiscal Years 2012, 2013, and 2014 appropriations and for successive three (3) year periods or until terminated; and

**WHEREAS**, annexed hereto is the Cooperation Agreement to be executed by and between the County of Essex and the Township of West Orange for conducting certain community development activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and hereby are respectively authorized to execute and attest to the Cooperation Agreement between the County of Essex for Conducting Certain Community Development Activities.

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**Patricia Spango, Council President**

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**Karen J. Carnevale, Municipal Clerk**

**Adopted: October 25, 2011**