

**RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE PROPERTY TAX PAYERS THE
TAX RELIEF BENEFITS OFFERED BY N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41(c)(2)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41(c)(2) states that if tax appeal judgments of the county tax board pursuant to R.S.54:3-21 et seq., or the State tax court pursuant to R.S.54:48-1 et seq., result in tax reductions for the previous fiscal year, the governing body of the municipality may elect to calculate the current year reserve for uncollected taxes by reducing the certified tax levy of the prior year by the amount of the tax levy adjustments resulting from those judgments, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41(c)(2) states that the election of this choice shall be made by resolution, approved by a majority vote of the full membership of the governing body prior to the introduction of the annual budget pursuant to N.J.S.40A:4-5;

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange's adjusted Tax Levy in 2014 was \$209,736.730.88; and

WHEREAS, during 2014 the Township of West Orange Tax Levy was reduced by \$631,879.33 in 2007-2013 tax appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of West Orange has calculated that adoption of this resolution could reduce the required 2015 tax levy by as much as \$650,513.52; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange desires to provide its property tax payers the tax relief benefit offered by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41 (c)(2),

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of West Orange does here elect to calculate the current year reserve for uncollected taxes by reducing the certified tax levy of the prior year by the amount of the tax levy adjustments resulting from those judgments.

Karen J. Carnevale
Municipal Clerk

Jerry Guarino
Council President

Adopted: March 24, 2015