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August 10, 2009

Delaware River Port Authority
Of Pennsylvania and New Jersey
Attn: John J. Matheussen
One Port Center
2 Riverside Drive
PO Box 1949 Camden, NJ 08101-1949

Re: Resolution Supporting The Extension Of Light Rail And Bus
Rapid Transit Services To The County Of Gloucester

Dear Mr. Matheussen:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a resolution passed by the West Deptford Township Committee on August 6th 2009, endorsing the above-referenced Delaware River Port Authority's plan to expand rail service through Southern New Jersey.

If you have any questions or my office can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Raymond L. Sherman
Township Clerk

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Enclosure

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXTENSION OF LIGHT RAIL AND BUS RAPID
TRANSIT SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Port Authority (DRPA) has extensively studied various alternative plans to extend Light Rail Services to Gloucester County municipalities, including the provision of Bus Rapid Transit service as well; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Planning Commission and the state Office of Smart Growth have both indicated their support for the alternative by which Light Rail service would be extended from the City of Camden to the Borough of Glassboro following the route of the existing Conrail Right of Way; and

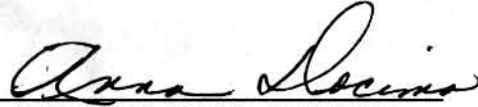
WHEREAS, this alternative will spur economic growth in Gloucester County, help alleviate traffic congestion, provide commuters with a much needed alternative, and improve air quality by reducing traffic congestion, the leading cause of air quality problems in our county and region; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund has committed \$500 million in funding for this project so critical to preserving the quality of life in our county; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, on this 6th day of August 2009, that the Township of West Deptford through the Mayor and Township Committee does hereby endorse the extension of the Light Rail System into Gloucester County, as well as Bus Rapid Transit service, along with the other transit improvements provided for by the DRPA preferred alternative plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk is directed to forward true copies of this resolution to Governor Corzine, Senate President Cody, Assembly Speaker Roberts, members of our legislative delegation, members of the Delaware Port Authority Board of Directors, and Freeholder Director Sweeney.

TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD:

BY: 
ANNA DOCIMO, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RAYMOND L. SHERMAN, CLERK