The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw held a Special Meeting on Thursday, August 28, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman Isidro Cancel (Absent)
Councilman Vincent Gamboli
Councilman John Gould
Councilman Hector Soto (Absent)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TO AMEND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gamboli, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of the United States is authorized, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to make grants to states and other units of general local government to help finance Community Development Programs; and

WHEREAS, Section 99-h of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York grants to any municipal corporation the power, either individually or jointly with one or more municipal corporations, to apply for, accept and expend funds made available by the federal government, either directly or through the State, pursuant to the provisions of any Federal law which is not inconsistent with the statutes or constitution of this State, in order to administer, conduct or participate with the Federal government in programs relating to the general welfare of the inhabitants of such municipal corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, and any "Eligible Activities" thereunder are not inconsistent with the statutes or Constitution of the State; and

WHEREAS, a number of municipalities have requested Rockland's participation, and the County of Rockland has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest that it make application for Community Development Block Grant funds and HOME funds as an Urban County; and

WHEREAS, participation by the County of Rockland as an Urban County in the Community Development Program requires that the Town of Haverstraw and the County of Rockland cooperate in undertaking, or assisting in undertaking, essential community development and housing activities, specifically those activities authorized by statutes enacted pursuant to Article 18 of the New York State Constitution.

WHEREAS, this Board deemed it to be in the public interest to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the County of Rockland for the aforesaid purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. be and hereby is authorized to amend the Cooperation Agreement between the Town of Haverstraw and the County of Rockland for the purposes of undertaking a Community Development Program pursuant to the Housing and Community development Act of 1974 as amended, and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, by amending Paragraph 7a-b of the currently executed agreement with the following:

- 7: The County and Municipality agree that the cooperating unit of general local government has adopted and is enforcing:
- a.. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

b. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within jurisdictions."

The foregoing resolution was adopted upon roll call as follows:

AYES: Councilman Vincent Gamboli

Councilman John Gould

Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr.

NOES: N/A

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

No Comments.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Comment.

ADJOURNMENT

273-08 Motion was made by Councilman Gamboli and seconded by Councilman Gould to adjourn the Special Meeting.

JOSEPHINE E. CARELLA
Town Clerk