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Executive Director
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Subject: Endorsed Plan
Route 130/Delaware River Corridor Strategic Plan
Designated Centers of the State Plan
Six Centers in the Route 130/Delaware River Corridor
Delineated Nodes
Fourteen Nodes in the Route 130/Delaware River Corridor

Dear Executive Director:

From 1995 to 1998, our municipality participated in the groundbreaking regional initiative to plan for the future of a region of Burlington County known as the Route 130/Delaware River Corridor (Corridor). Delanco Township was one of twelve municipalities that worked with Burlington County to develop the Route 130/Delaware River Corridor Strategic Plan (Strategic Plan). On April 28, 1999, the New Jersey State Planning Commission endorsed the Strategic Plan, which designated six town centers and delineated fourteen nodes and has guided growth and preservation in the region for the past 20 years.

Since the State Planning Commission endorsed the Strategic Plan creating six town centers and delineated fourteen nodes, our municipality has been working on its implementation agenda provided in the Plan. Having participated in the Plan Endorsement process that resulted in the town center designations and node delineations, our municipality benefited from the assistance from several state and county agencies for advancing various projects and developments, has been able to competitively compete for and obtain various grants, and has worked with our neighboring municipalities and the county to improve the quality of life for our citizens and the economic viability of the region. We understand the town center and node designations will expire on June 30, 2020.

To maintain these designated town centers and delineated nodes, the Economic Development and Regional Planning (EDRP) Department of the Burlington County Bridge Commission, on behalf of the twelve municipalities and the Burlington County Board of Freeholders, is resubmitting the existing Strategic Plan for Plan Endorsement. As an initial

step, the EDRP is requesting a pre-petition meeting with Office of Planning Advocacy (OPA) and other State agencies, on our behalf, as the designated regional agency. Delanco Township is in support of this regional planning effort and is committed to providing all the necessary documentation and assistance throughout the Plan Endorsement process.

Our municipality continues to support the goals and implement the recommendations set forth within the existing Strategic Plan, which remains relevant and consistent with our community's vision. Delanco Township looks forward to receiving the various benefits and the financial and technical assistance associated with Plan Endorsement process as well as the extension of the existing town center and node designations for an additional ten years.

Should you have any questions in this matter, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

Kate Fitzpatrick
Mayor

cc: The Honorable Phil Murphy, Governor
The Honorable Sheila Oliver, Lt. Governor
The Honorable Troy Singleton, State Senator
The Honorable Herb Conaway, Jr., State Assemblyman
The Honorable Carol A. Murphy, State Assemblywoman
The Honorable Tom Pullion, Director, Burlington Co. Bd. Of Chosen Freeholders
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