RESOLUTION 2010-104

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GREEN PURCHASING

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek realizes the need to meet stricter standards of environmental stewardship and improve the environmental characteristics of our operations, and;

WHEREAS, the "Greening" of public purchasing is therefore an immediate and practical step local government can take by instituting more sustainable practices and improve environmental performance, and;

WHEREAS, purchasing Green or environmentally preferable products sends a clear signal to the market that there is a preference for green, clean and safe products, resulting in the availability of an increasing number of environmentally preferable alternative products in the marketplace, which will also become available to our residents, and;

WHEREAS, the Township of Lower Alloways Creek will use the following definition when making the transition to Green or environmentally preferable purchasing:

Definition and purpose of "Green Purchasing"
Green or Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) is the purchase of goods and services that minimizes environmental impacts. It includes the purchase of products with post consumer recycled content, that have a lesser, or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products that serve the same purpose,

and;

WHEREAS the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does establish and hereby direct the Township Purchasing Agent to purchase Green products using the following criteria to purchase the best Green product available:

- distance of transport/ localness of production
- quality and performance standards of the product
- packaging or distribution method of the product
- Price and performance of the product
- the raw materials, including energy and water, and post consumer recyclable content used in the manufacture of the product,

and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does set forth the goals and objectives of the Green Purchasing Program as follows:

- ☐ to improve the Township's environmental performance and make it more sustainable
- ☐ to raise awareness of environmental issues among the staff
- ☐ to establish the Township's clear commitment to conducting its functions in an environmentally responsible manner
- ☐ to increase the Township's environmental performance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does support and encourage the purchasing of Green and Environmental Performance Products as a meaningful, long-term objective that has value both for the community and for the employees.

ATTEST:

Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

Ellen B. Pompper, Mayor

ADOPTED: August 17, 2010