

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Pipeline Company is proposing to build a bi-directional pipeline through the Town of Cornwall that would transport crude oil and refined petroleum products between Albany, New York, and Linden, New Jersey, and

WHEREAS, the Pipeline will carry a large volume of crude oil through residential areas in the Town of Cornwall which will place residents in harm's way should a spill occur, and

WHEREAS, any rupture or compromise of the Pipeline, even without an explosion or fire, will require extraordinary cleanup efforts, could force residents from their homes, and place a large number of residents in close proximity to hazardous materials, and

WHEREAS, most Town of Cornwall residents depend on ground water and public community water systems for potable water supplies, the integrity and safety of which may be jeopardized by the Pipeline, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cornwall finds that the proposed Pilgrim Pipeline potentially threatens the health, safety, and welfare of the community; could decrease the values of homes located along its route and in surrounding neighborhoods; and could negatively impact future development in the Town of Cornwall,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Town Board hereby calls upon the New York State Thruway Authority to reject use of its right-of-way for the purpose of transporting oil or gas by pipeline; and further calls upon the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to deny an exception to its Accommodation Plan for said purpose, and

2. That the Town Board urges Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature to oppose construction of the Pilgrim Pipeline in New York State, and

3. That the Town Board directs the Town Clerk to forward copies of this resolution to the NYS Thruway Authority Chair, Howard P. Milstein, NYS DOT Commissioner Joan McDonald, U.S. PHMSA Administrator Cynthia L. Quarterman, U.S. Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand and U.S. Representative Chris Gibson, Governor Andrew Cuomo, NY Assembly Member Kevin Cahill, NY Senator John Bonacic, and NYS DEC Commissioner Joseph Martens.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ offer this resolution as read. Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Helen Bunt, Councilwoman, voting \_\_\_\_\_

Elizabeth Longinott, Councilwoman, voting \_\_\_\_\_

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J. Kerry McGuinness, Councilman, voting \_\_\_\_\_

Peter Russell, Councilman, voting \_\_\_\_\_

Randolph S. Clark, Supervisor, voting \_\_\_\_\_

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