

BOROUGH OF RINGWOOD
COUNTY OF PASSAIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING A PROPOSED PIPELINE THROUGH THE DESIGNATED
HIGHLANDS PRESERVATION IN NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Pipeline Holdings, LLC is proposing a project to install two pipelines to convey petroleum materials to and from Albany, New York, and refineries in Linden, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, one pipeline will carry crude oil from a terminal in Albany, New York to the refinery in Linden, New Jersey, and the other pipeline will carry refined finished product from the refinery back to Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location of such pipeline is located within the New Jersey Highlands Preservation Area and such proposed pipeline is also located less than one-half mile upstream from the Wanaque Reservoir, the largest water supply reservoir in the State of New Jersey holding 30 billion gallons of water to supply over one million residents of northern New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, a breach in this pipeline could cause serious environmental problems to the residents of the Borough of Ringwood, the County of Passaic and the State of New Jersey by polluting the water supply system; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Ringwood has determined that the Pilgrim Pipeline Project is not beneficial to our citizens, but instead could cause adverse effects to the region and to the citizens of the Borough of Ringwood, the County of Passaic and the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Ringwood hereby opposes the proposed Pilgrim Pipeline Project because of the potential degradation of Ringwood New Jersey's drinking water supply and the potential safety to our region and communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Council calls for a moratorium on any and all planning, proposal and surveying prior to the completion of a full environmental review of the pipeline transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor's Office, Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the State Legislature and the State Land Conservancy Commission, League of Municipalities and the contiguous municipalities.

Adopted: March 2, 2015

Kelley A. Halewicz, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Walter J. Davison
Mayor

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Davison			X			
Speer			X			
Anderson	X		X			
Marsala			X			
Martocci						X
Noonan			X			
Schaefer		X	X			