

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
RESOLUTION 2016-20**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENT OF U.S. DEPARTMENT  
OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OUTPATIENT CLINIC IN SUSSEX COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, veterans who have served and protected the United States and the world, including the 46,229 veterans living in and near Sussex County as of September 30, 2014, deserve our full support and commitment, including medical care and treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, the nearest U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient facilities are located well outside the county in East Orange, N.J., and Port Jervis, N.Y., presenting a significant burden on veterans in Sussex County who have need for services; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Sussex County veterans community has identified the need for a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient facility in Sussex County; and,

**WHEREAS**, by way of a unanimously-approved July 14, 2015 Resolution of its governing body, Franklin Borough has previously voiced its strong and unequivocal support for the establishment of a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Sussex County to serve veterans of the U.S. military; and,


**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, through the considerable efforts of Congressmen E. Scott Garrett and Rodney P. Frelinghuysen, is considering the establishment of an outpatient facility in Sussex County, New Jersey.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Franklin Mayor and Council do hereby reaffirm their support for the establishment of a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient facility in Sussex County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Franklin Borough is willing to locate and fully support the establishment of same within its borders or elsewhere in the County as may be determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs with input from the community to be served; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of the Resolution be forwarded respectfully to U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Under Secretary for Health Dr. David J. Shulkin; U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs New Jersey Health Care System Director Ken Mizrach; Hon. Rodney P. Frelinghuysen, United States Representative; Hon. Scott Garrett, United States Representative; Hon. Cory A. Booker, United States Senator; Hon. Robert Menendez, United States Senator; and Hon. Steve V. Oroho, 24th Legislative District State Senator, Assemblyman Parker Space and Assemblywoman Gail Phoebus for their respective consideration and action.

**CERTIFICATION:** I, Robin Hough, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting of said Governing Body held on January 12, 2016.

  
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Robin Hough, Municipal Clerk