

BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE

11159

RESOLUTION



**Title: Opposing a United Water Rate Increase**

**WHEREAS**, United Water has petitioned the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for a rate increase for water service to its residential customers effective May 1, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated average overall increase is 20.85 %; and

**WHEREAS**, this is an exorbitant increase that will adversely affect every resident in the Borough through direct billing by United Water without a breakdown of costs or explanation of profits; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed rate increase, which far exceeds the 2 % cap under which municipalities must abide, will have a huge impact on the 2012 Borough budget; and

**WHEREAS**, residents will be forced to pay the proposed rate increase for their home and municipal water rates; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that it is the sentiment of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the dramatic increase in the 2012 fees proposed by the United Water is unacceptable and measures need to be taken by the utility to reduce the financial burden that they are placing on the taxpayers in the Borough of Hillsdale.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk transmit this resolution to the Board of Public Utilities, the Bergen County Executive, the Bergen County Board of Freeholders and the Bergen County Flood Task Force.

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<b>Council member</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
DeJoseph, Jonathan						
Frank, Douglas						
Giancarlo, Michael						
Hanlon, Marie						
Schiavone, Donna						
Weinstein, Andy						

Adopted: November 7,  
2011

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert P. Sandt, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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Mayor Max Arnowitz