

**BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
RESOLUTION 12145**

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**MUNICIPAL PUBLIC QUESTION FOR THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 19:37-1 empowers the governing body of any municipality which desires to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of the municipality upon a question or policy pertaining to the government or internal affairs thereof to place a question on the ballot for a non-binding referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale seek to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of the Borough of Hillsdale on the matter set forth below; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale as follows:

The Clerk of the County of Bergen is hereby formally requested pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:37-1 et seq. to print the following Non-Binding Referendum question and interpretive statement upon the official ballots to be used in the November 6, 2012 General Election in the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen:

As a resident and registered voter in the Borough of Hillsdale, do you support keeping the Hillsdale Police Headquarters open to the public and staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with a civilian dispatcher and/or police officer?

YES ( ) NO ( )

**Interpretive Statement:**

*The Mayor's Dispatch Committee, a group comprised of members of the Hillsdale Council, members of Hillsdale's Emergency Services and the Mayor's Citizens Budget Advisory Committee, has made the a recommendation that Police dispatching for the Borough be changed from uniformed police dispatchers to trained civilian dispatchers. According to the Committee's recommendation, such a procedural move will enable Police dispatching to continue to remain at Hillsdale Police Headquarters 24 hours a day, seven days per week and furthermore save the Borough approximately \$246,000 per year. This recommendation was subsequently approved by the full Mayor and Council. This referendum asks whether the Borough should go forward and implement this recommendation.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be filed immediately with the Clerk of the County of Bergen.

| <b>Council member</b> | <b>Motion</b> | <b>Second</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Absent</b> | <b>Abstain</b> |
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| DeRosa, Anthony       |               |               |            |           |               |                |
| Frank, Douglas        |               |               |            |           |               |                |
| Giancarlo, Michael    |               |               |            |           |               |                |
| Hanlon, Marie         |               |               |            |           |               |                |
| MacEwen, John         |               |               |            |           |               |                |
| Pizzella, Frank       |               |               |            |           |               |                |

Adopted: August 14, 2012

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Susan Witkowski  
Municipal Clerk

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Max Arnowitz  
Mayor