

**BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
RESOLUTION 15218**

**ESTABLISH BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
ACCESS FOR ALL ADVISORY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale recognizes and acknowledges its ongoing legal commitments to meeting the needs of its employees and residents with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale fully supports the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“the ADA”) regarding reasonable accommodations in the workplace and for providing all residents equal access to facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council remain keenly aware of the need to be proactive in enforcing compliance with the ADA addressing the special needs of our residents with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, despite the great strides that our residents with disabilities have made with the benefits of the ADA, barriers continue to exist that deny equal access to employment as well as public and private facilities; and

WHEREAS, many Bergen County communities have established Access for All Advisory Boards composed of town residents with disabilities and local officials, who work collaboratively with the Mayor and Council to address issues of access within their boundaries; and

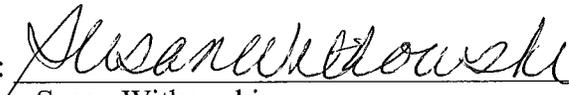
WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale wishes to establish an Access for All Advisory Board composed of the at least 9 persons and no more than 13; 51% shall be persons with disabilities, parents of children with disabilities, or a resident family member who is a caregiver of a person with a disability. The balance of the Board may be composed of one representative from each of the following Borough Departments:

- A liaison from the Mayor and Council,
- The Building Department,
- The Recreation Department,
- The Department of Public Works,
- The Board of Education,
- One of the emergency services (either Police, Fire or Emergency Management) and
- A member of the Business Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, the Borough of Hillsdale Access for All Advisory Board is hereby established and the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to contact the various individuals and organizations as outlined above to determine representation on the Committee and advertise for membership from the community at large for selection by the Mayor and Borough Council.

Council member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain	Recuse
DeGise, Jason					X		
DeRosa, Anthony			X				
Looes, Chrisoula	X		X				
Meyerson, Lawrence		X	X				
Pizzella, Frank			X				
Ruocco, John			X				
Arnowitz, Max							

Introduced: October 13, 2015

Attest: 
 Susan Witkowski
 Municipal Clerk


 Max Arnowitz
 Mayor