BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
RESOLUTION 16251

RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE PASCACK VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION TO VIDEORECORD ITS PUBLIC MEETINGS AND MAKE THEM AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, transparency and public participation are of paramount importance to efficient and effective governance; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law currently does not require municipal governing bodies or school boards to videotape or otherwise record their public meetings; and

WHEREAS, certain members of the public have raised concern with the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale that the public meetings of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education (the "Board of Education") are currently not recorded; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body recognizes that it has no jurisdiction over this issue, which is within the exclusive purview of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, nevertheless the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale would like to express its recommendation and opinion that it would be beneficial for the Board of Education to consider recording all public meetings for the benefit of the public and making the unedited recording available to the public via their web site or YouTube or public access television.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale does hereby encourage the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education to consider recording its public meetings and, making the unedited recordings available online or on the Borough of Hillsdale's Access channels in order to permit a greater number of residents to observe the discussions and actions taken at such meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that theActing Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Education.

Council member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain	Recuse
DeRosa, Anthony		X	X				
Karcich, Scott			X				
Looes, Chrisoula				X			
Lundy, Abby				X			
Pizzella, Frank	X		X				
Ruocco, John			X				
Frank, Douglas							

Adopted: December 6, 2016

Attest: Denise Kohan
Denise Kohan
Acting Municipal Clerk

Douglas E. Frank
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Mayor