

BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
RESOLUTION 17118

**RESOLUTION COMMUNICATING SUPPORT OF THE MAYOR &
COUNCIL FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) program has existed for over 40 years, providing grants to communities and non-profit organizations throughout the United States for public infrastructure improvements, housing activities, economic development, job training programs, and public service activities.

WHEREAS, Bergen County and its municipalities, including Hillsdale, is among the largest urban county recipients of such CDBG program grants, receiving back a portion of the tax dollars its residents send to the federal government.

WHEREAS, residents of Hillsdale have benefited over the years from CDBG grants such as those that fund the monthly lunch program for Hillsdale senior citizens, help assist the Borough in providing various services to our seniors, help fund barrier-free curb improvements and remove architectural barriers and create barrier-free municipal improvements that benefit Hillsdale residents, just to name a few, and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding for FY 2017 will amount to a 50% cut if left intact, leaving many programs underfunded or unfunded, seriously affecting Senior Citizen and other programs in Hillsdale and throughout the country,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council fully appreciate the need for the Federal Government over time to exercise greater constraint in fiscal policy and reduce deficit spending in order to move toward a balanced federal budget,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that strong support for the funding of the CDBG program be communicated to President Donald J. Trump and members of the United States Congress, and that in their attempt to reduce the size of the budget deficit, they more carefully take into account all the worthwhile programs supported by the CDBG program, and consider instead cutting other programs that affect a less widespread constituency so as to keep the funding of the CDBG program much closer to 100%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to President Donald J. Trump, US Senate and House of Representative leaders, Congressman Josh Gottheimer, US Senators Cory Booker and Robert Menendez, NJ League of Municipalities, and the Bergen County Division of Community Development.

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

Adopted: April 17, 2017

Attest: Denise Kohan
Denise Kohan
Acting Municipal Clerk

Douglas Frank
Douglas Frank
Mayor