RESOLUTION NO.: 32

ADOPTED: July 10, 2002

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris desires to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of the County of Morris concerning the question and/or policy pertaining to the Open Space Trust Fund; and there is no other statute by which the sentiment of the voters can be ascertained other than by the submission of such question to a vote of the electorate of the County of Morris; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.2(a)(2), the rate was subdivided for the respective purposes specified in N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.2 (1) in a manner previously determined pursuant to Resolution Number 11 adopted on August 12, 1992 by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris as follows:

1. That the Clerk of Morris County print upon the official ballot to be used at the next general election to be held on November 5, 2002, the following public question and interpretive statement:

   PUBLIC QUESTION

   Shall the County of Morris amend the present Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund to include the purpose of preservation and acquisition of historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects in accordance with P.L. 1997, Chapter 24 and allocate a sum between 1/8 and 1/4 cent of the existing tax for this purpose?

   INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT

   A "YES" vote will permit the County of Morris to include historic preservation as one of the eligible activities funded as part of the Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund as provided for in the law and annually allocate between 1/8 and 1/4 cent of the existing tax for that purpose.

   As an example, 1/8 of a cent of the present tax would equal approximately $730,000.

   A "YES" vote will not increase the Open Space Tax.

2. Upon passage, certified copies of the within resolution shall be delivered to the Morris County Clerk at least seventy-four (74) days prior to next general election to be held on November 5, 2002.

3. This resolution shall take effect in compliance with law.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris at a regular meeting held July 10, 2002.

[Signature]
Ilene St. John, Clerk of the Board