

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Coastal Coalition (NJCC) is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization, incorporated in the State of New Jersey, who formed as the Atlantic-Cape Coastal Coalition in 2013 as a result of Superstorm Sandy and changed their name in early 2018 reflecting their desire to include all coastal communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJCC's mission is to build more resilient communities at the Jersey Shore by developing policies and practices that will anticipate future concerns and to create solutions to be shared by all participants; and

**WHEREAS**, Township staff have been attending meetings of the NJCC and have had mutual exchange from the NJCC with the Township of Middletown Floodplain Manager and Community Rating System Users Group meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, participation in the NJCC provides the Township of Middletown with networking and shared resources opportunities, which can better prepare the Township and its residents for future flood events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown has determined it is in the best interest of the Township and Monmouth County to formalize its participation and become a member of the NJCC; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monmouth also encourages its municipalities to participate in the NJCC.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township of Middletown hereby formalizes its desire to be an active participant in the New Jersey Coastal Coalition and directs staff to continue to dedicate time as needed towards this endeavor.
2. Copies of this Resolution shall be made available to the Monmouth County Board of Commissioners, the Monmouth County Administrator, the Monmouth County Planning Director, Monmouth County Municipalities, and the NJ Coastal Coalition.