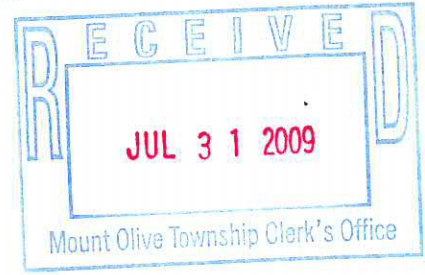


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**RESOLUTION  
NO. 2009-083**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Pequannock has consistently and reasonably fulfilled its responsibilities pursuant to the Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, notwithstanding the legitimate public interest which the Open Public Records Act is intended to protect, the broad scope of the Act allows for its abuse by individuals for an improper purpose, including, but not limited to harassment of State, County, or Local government, or governmental officials and employees; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a legitimate and pressing need to amend the Open Public Records Act to prevent improper use of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of California has recently introduced legislation to amend its Public Records Act to permit governmental entities to petition a Court of competent jurisdiction to issue a protective order limiting the number and scope of requests a requester may make and/or eliminating a governmental entity's duty to respond to the public record requests from the requester in the future when said relief is appropriate given a demonstration by the governmental entity that the requester has sought or is seeking governmental records for an improper purpose, including, but not limited to, the harassment of State, County, or Local Government, including officials and employees; and

**WHEREAS**, an amendment to the Open Public Records Act similar or equivalent to the pending California Legislation is necessary and appropriate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock calls upon the State's Assembly and Senate to immediately enact an amendment to the Open Public Records Act equivalent to California Bill AB 520 (copy attached).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution shall be distributed to Governor Jon Corzine, all representatives of the 26th Legislative District, and all Morris County Municipalities.

ADOPTED:  
July 28, 2009

ATTEST:  
  
DOLORES J. SWEENEY  
Township Clerk

GOVERNING BODY  
TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK

By:   
JOSEPH L. JORGENSEN  
Mayor

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of  
a Resolution adopted by the Pequannock Township

Council at a meeting held July 28, 2009  
  
Dolores J. Sweeney, Township Clerk



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July 29, 2009

TO: Governor Jon Corzine  
Senator Joseph Pennacchio  
Assemblyman Alex DeCroce  
Assemblyman Jay Webber  
All Morris County Municipalities

Re: Supporting an Amendment to the Open Public Records Act.

Herewith is a certified copy of a Resolution adopted by the Pequannock Township Council at a meeting July 28, 2009.

Sincerely,

*Dolores J. Sweeney*  
Dolores J. Sweeney  
Township Clerk