

Mayor Nolan offered a motion for the following resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-13-238

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE
HIGHLANDS LONG –TERM COMMUNITY
RECOVERY PLAN**

WHEREAS, the impact from floods and storm surge resulting from Hurricane Sandy caused significant damage to the Borough of Highlands, including damage to 40% of the housing stock and greater than 60% of the businesses within the Borough of Highlands; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey invited the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Long-Term Community Recovery team to assist the Borough in completing a strategic recovery plan; and

WHEREAS, well over 1,000 volunteer hours were devoted to creating this plan by Highlands residents, business owners, and partners; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Long-Term Community Recovery Plan has been developed to establish guidelines and projects that will provide the community with guidance to revitalize Highlands and effectively help residents and business owners recover from the impacts of flooding; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Long-Term Community Recovery Plan demonstrates to the community that recovery involves organization and collaboration among community partners, positive promotional strategies to capitalize on Highland's natural and cultural resources, and understanding that increasing community resilience is central to recovery and revitalization; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Long-Term Community Recovery Plan has been reviewed by community residents, business owners, and federal, state, and local agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey hereby adopt the "Highlands Long-Term Community Recovery Plan" and will work with partners and stakeholders to implement and update this plan, as needed. The Borough will include the recommendations of the plan in its next comprehensive master plan reexamination and update the Borough's Hazard Mitigation Plan in cooperation with Monmouth County.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

DATE: November 6, 2013

**CAROLYN CUMMINS
BOROUGH CLERK**

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of Resolution R-13-237 adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands at a meeting held on November 6, 2013.