RESOLUTION 2006-01

NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (the "Highlands Act") mandates that the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (the "Highlands Council") adopt a Regional Master Plan by June of 2006; and

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Highlands Act authorizes the Highlands Council to enter into any and all agreements or contracts, execute any and all instruments to carry out any power, duty or responsibility under the Highlands Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 18 of the Highlands Act authorizes the Highlands Council to make available grants and other financial and technical assistance to municipalities and counties in furtherance of the Regional Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2005, the Highlands Council by Resolution 2005-27 authorized the initiation of a grant application process for certain grant categories, and included among the categories are COAH Third Round Housing Plan Element & Fair Share Planning ("Fair Share") grants; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council Plan Development Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee have considered and recommended the approval of Fair Share grants; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council's staff has reviewed the following grant applications and recommends approval by the Highlands Council; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Highlands Council that the Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the following municipalities for an amount not to exceed that amount indicated.

Fair Share grant not to exceed \$7,500:

Chester Borough Sparta Township

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Highlands Council at its scheduled meeting held on the 5th day of January, 2006.

John Weingart, Chairman