

Mayor & Council of the Borough of Mantoloking

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the entire Borough of Mantoloking is protected from ocean storm and flood damage by 2.2 miles of beach and dunes, and

WHEREAS, the beach and dune system constitute one of Mantoloking's premier recreational and aesthetic assets, and

WHEREAS, Mantoloking's beaches have been receding at the rate of two feet per year since 1840 and are now considered a classic unstable beach capable only of withstanding a "20 year" storm event, and

WHEREAS, for many years the Mayor and Council have, with the assistance of several expert individuals and agencies, monitored the condition of the beach and dune system and planned and implemented various remedial efforts to preserve and improve it, and

WHEREAS, the research and experience now indicate that a beach nourishment project such as those recently completed in Monmouth County, on Long Beach Island, and in many other beachfront communities throughout the country offer the best solution for Mantoloking, and

WHEREAS, a wide and stable beach and dune system in Mantoloking will benefit all residents and property owners with significantly increased long term protection from storm and flood damage, lower property insurance premiums, higher property values, and the preservation of Mantoloking's unique lifestyle, and

WHEREAS, the financing and implementation of an optimal beach nourishment project will require the cooperation and support of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, United States Corps of Engineers, the Ocean County Board of Freeholders, neighboring communities, and the United States Congress, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mantoloking do hereby commit themselves to such action as may be necessary to secure funding for and implementation of a beach nourishment project for the Borough including, but not limited to:

- Appropriating the local funds necessary to win approval for and to pay the local share of the multi-million dollar project,
- Educating Mantoloking residents to the need for beach nourishment,
- Keeping the Borough's beaches open to the public,
- Providing additional visitor parking and restroom facilities,
- Securing the property easements necessary for the initial nourishment and subsequent renourishments,
- Encouraging the participation of neighboring communities, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution be sent to every Mantoloking resident and property owner, along with an invitation to attend a series of town meetings to be conducted by the Mayor and Council with the objective of generating the informed active support of all residents in beach nourishment.