RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT 1 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX CAP LEVY REFERENDUM ON FEBRUARY 21, 2015

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.45 provides that in preparation of its budget a fire district shall limit any increase in its property tax levy to two percent (2.0%) over the previous year's amount to be raised by taxation, subject to certain exceptions and additions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.46(b), permits a fire district to increase amount to be raised by taxation by a percentage rate greater than two percent (2.0%) where said increase is approved by referendum; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire District Number 1 in the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, in the County of Morris, has called for a referendum question as part of its annual election pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.46(b) because it finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2015 amount to be raised by taxation budget by more than two percent (2.0%) over the 2014 amount to be raised by taxation, to provide and maintain essential district services for the residents of the district; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire District Number 1 in the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, hereby determines that a .14 (14%) percent increase in the amount to be raised by taxation or \$60,000.00 in excess of the increase in the amount to be raised by taxation otherwise permitted by a two (2.0%) tax levy cap, will only become effective upon authorization by fifty percent (50%) of the voters casting a ballot at the annual fire district election and,

WHEREAS, this additional amount will be appropriated for the purposes set forth below, increasing the total appropriation for each such purpose from what would otherwise be provided under the limitations of a two percent (2.0%) tax levy cap, as set forth below:

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\$60,000	

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the question to be placed on the ballot shall be as follows:

Shall the Board of Commissioners of Fire District Number 1 in the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills be authorized to increase the 2015 amount to be raised by taxation in the Fire District annual budget, by .14 (14%) percent or \$60,000.00 as provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.45, notwithstanding that its amount to be raised by taxation will exceed the two percent (2.0%) increase limitation.

___ Yes ___ No

A "yes" vote will authorize the Board of Commissioners of the fire district to adopt the budget that was approved by the Board. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.45 provides a tax levy "cap" of two percent (2.0%) on the amount of increase. This amount can be exceeded when approved by referendum of the voters.

The following are those line items to which the increases apply:

Equipment and Repair

If referendum is approved (a "yes" vote), the amount to be raised by taxation will include this amount.

A "no" vote means that the Board of Commissioners must adopt the budget within the increase limits otherwise set forth by the law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said referendum be, and the same is scheduled for February 21, 2015, between the hours of 2:00 and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the manner provided by statute, along with the regular election of Fire Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the budget of the Board of Commissioners of Fire District 1 of the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills for 2015 has been and is authorized to be published in the *Daily Record* and on its website at www.mtfdc1.com, with a copy at the Mount Tabor Library located at 17 Trinity Road, Mount Tabor, New Jersey 07878.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing on the budget was held on December 17, 2014 and will be held again on January 28, 2015, at 7:30 p.m., at the Mount Tabor Fire House, located at 72 South Powder Mill Road, Morris Plains, New Jersey, at which time and place objections to said budget may be presented by taxpayers or other interested parties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two (2) certified copies of this Resolution, shall be transmitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, within 3 days after adoption with the recorded vote included thereon as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5.

Adopted: December 17, 2014

ATTEST:

PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS-FIRE DISTRICT 1

Paul Eisenberg, Secretary

Jeff Berry, President

Board of Commissioners Record Vote

Member	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
JEFF BERRY	X			
JIM MASKAR	X			
JOE RESCINITI				×
PAUL EISENBERG	X			
Lou Ferdinandi	X			