

**A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED KEASBEY ENERGY CENTER
AND SEEKING COMPETITIVE POWER VENTURES TO PURSUE
A RENEWABLE POWER GENERATION FACILITY**

WHEREAS, Competitive Power Ventures (CPV) is proposing to build the Keasbey Energy Center, a 657- megawatt combined-cycle natural gas electric generating facility in Woodbridge, New Jersey, within a densely populated region of the most densely populated state; and

WHEREAS, while a gas-fired power plant of this type can operate 25 to 30 years and generates significant Greenhouse gases and other serious air contaminants affecting the health of residents during its lifetime, there are cleaner technologies currently available that can also generate power including solar and wind; and

WHEREAS, CPV is, as promoted on their website, “able to bring online award-winning projects that modernize the electric grid and are among the most efficient, reliable and environmentally responsible in the world” and has demonstrated success in securing approval for 762 MW of renewable generation throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey 2019 Energy Master Plan Strategy 2 is to “Accelerate Deployment of Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources,” for which building this facility runs totally in opposition to that Strategy and the Master Plan stated Goal to reach “100% Clean Energy by 2050,” and most of the other stated goals in the New Jersey 2019 Energy Master Plan do not pursue expansion of fossil fuel energy power generation facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that we call on Competitive Power Venture to withdraw its application for a 657- megawatt combined-cycle natural gas electric generating facility in Woodbridge, New Jersey, and conversely has our support to pursue a renewable power generation facility that is both energy efficient and environmentally responsible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk shall forward this Resolution to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection as part of its review of facilities subject to the Environmental Justice Law and the associated public hearing and enhanced public participation process.

RECORDED VOTE

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
HUTCHINSON				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
DAVIS				
SOCIO				
MEHTA				

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Council of North Brunswick at a meeting duly held on the 21st day of February 2023.

Lisa Russo, Township Clerk