Resolution Authorizing the Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities for their Urban Heat Island Mitigation Program

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick's Department of Parks desires to add accessible bottle filling stations at Sabella Park and improve the irrigation at the North Brunswick Community Garden; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), in partnership with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, has launched an Urban Heat Island Mitigation Program which includes \$5 million in grant funding to eligible municipalities to help combat extreme heat and rising energy costs; and

WHEREAS, both water filling stations and community gardens are eligible expenses through this grant opportunity under their 'Urban Micro-Climate Interventions' category; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and DPW Director are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application to the NJBPU and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of a grant agreement, if selected.