

**RESOLUTION R-09-81**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HARRISON AUTHORIZING  
SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER  
FOR FIRE INSPECTION SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Gloucester has always looked for ways to share services whenever possible in order to provide first rate service and ease financial constraints experienced by local budgets; and

**WHEREAS**, State Law requires that each municipality hire a Fire Inspector, subcontract for such service or run the risk of the State of New Jersey coming into their jurisdiction and assuming such responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, each year since 2005, the County of Gloucester has offered to municipalities the opportunity to join in the County's Fire Inspection Services Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of South Harrison recognizes that sharing the fire services provided through the County of Gloucester would provide savings to the Township for costs associated with administering its own fire inspection program, savings for administrative costs associated with the fire inspection program and the creation of uniform and consistent methods of fire inspections and reporting; and

**WHEREAS**, the financial impact to the County of Gloucester is minimal compared to the benefits of the program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gloucester County Fire Marshall is named as the Enforcing Agency for the New Jersey Fire Code, which enables this person to act on behalf of any municipality within the County as so requested; and

**WHEREAS**, for those towns that join, the County will bill multiple family and commercial properties in accordance with the municipalities fee schedule, which fees are then used to recover some of the operational costs with a portion of the funding to be used for fire prevention initiatives within the municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, by these determinations, the Township Committee agrees that it is in the best interest of the Township to join in shared services with the County of Gloucester for Fire Inspection Services effective the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2009;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison as follows;

1. That the Township of South Harrison hereby authorizes the entering into of a shared services agreement with the County of Gloucester in its Fire Inspection Services Program, effective on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2009, which service shall be finalized through the adoption of an Ordinance.
2. That the Mayor and/or Administrator/Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute any agreement necessary in order to effectuate such participation.

Adopted this 24<sup>h</sup> day of June, 2009

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HARRISON

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Robert S. Campbell Mayor

ATTEST:

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Celeste Keen, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison at a meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.

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Celeste Keen, RMC  
Deputy Clerk