

February 7, 2000

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF SHANDAKEN

WHEREAS, a major mixed use project known as Crossroad Ventures has been proposed in the Town of Shandaken and the Town of Shandaken Planning Board has expressed its desire to be lead agency for the SEQRA review of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Shandaken, Olive and Middletown have all expressed their support for the Shandaken Planning Board to act as lead agency and have opposed DEP assuming that role; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Coalition of Watershed Towns believes that this is a very important issue concerning the abilities of the watershed towns to control the planning process within their communities and that DEP does not have sufficient interest in the welfare of the communities to be granted the significant role of lead agency for SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the primary impact of this project is local in that it will effect land use patterns and community character in the Towns of Shandaken, Middletown and Olive and those towns have unanimously agreed that the Shandaken Planning Board is the proper entity and has the resources to be lead agency; and

WHEREAS, even if it is not lead agency, DEP will continue to be an involved agency under SEQRA, can provide its relevant expertise to the Shandaken Planning Board during the process and most importantly DEP maintains its full regulatory authority to protect the water quality of its water supply system.

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tannersville fully supports the efforts of the Shandaken Planning Board to be lead agency and urges DEP to withdraw its request to be lead agency; and

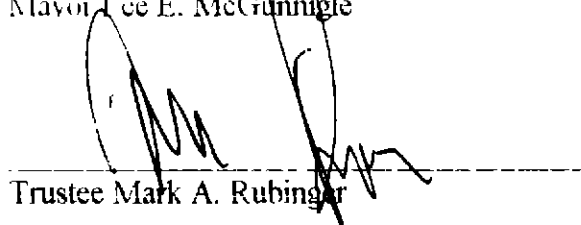
LET IS BE FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be sent to Governor Pataki, Mayor Guiliani; DEC Commissioner Cahill and DEP Commissioner Miele.



Mayor Lee E. McGinnigle



Trustee William E. Reich



Trustee Mark A. Rubinger