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**Additional Information:**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) has proposed to improve safety to minimize the accidents at the intersection of Frelinghuysen Avenue (Route 27) with Empire Street in the City of Newark. This intersection of improvements is included in a NJDOT project to improve another intersection along Route 27 with Magnolia Street in the City of Elizabeth; and

**WHEREAS**, the major items of proposed improvements are summarized as follows:

- Redesigning the entire intersection to correspond with the current traffic and pedestrian volume;
- Upgrading the traffic signal equipment and optimization of traffic signal timing and phasing;
- Installation of new and upgraded signage, striping and paving;
- Improvements to the traffic and pedestrian flow, safety and efficiency;
- Providing the most efficient lane configuration to reduce and minimize traffic

congestions, accidents and creation of the safest path for pedestrian crossing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Engineering will be an active participant in reviewing the design and specifications to ensure that intersection proposed improvements correspond with the City's requirements and needs; and

**WHEREAS**, a comprehensive construction detour, for vehicles, buses and trucks, will be implemented to minimize the traffic back up and congestion during the months of construction of the project which is approximately scheduled to start on or about May 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, combination measures that improve the flow of traffic including temporary restriping, signing, signal timing modifications and lane adjustment along the detour routes will also be applied in order to further minimize the impact of the proposed detour; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJDOT has requested that the City of Newark adopt a resolution to affirm its support for the above project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

1. The Mayor and the Director of the Department of Engineering, on behalf of the City of Newark, hereby affirm its support of the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) project to improve safety and traffic signal improvements at the intersection of Frelinghuysen Avenue (Route 27) with Empire Street in the City of Newark to minimize accidents.
2. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Engineering, are hereby authorized to transmit this resolution in support to the NJDOT after it has been adopted.

### **STATEMENT**

This resolution hereby affirms the support, by the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Engineering on behalf of the City of Newark, of the NJDOT project to improve safety and traffic signal improvements, at the intersection of Frelinghuysen Avenue (Route 27) with Empire Street in the City of Newark to minimize accidents.