

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION 22-101
BAG UP NJ RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Gov. Phil Murphy and the New Jersey State Legislature enacted the most progressive disposable bag law in the country, with a bill signed Nov. 4, 2020, phasing out single use plastic and paper bags and encouraging the use of reusable bags throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, New Jersey is working to reduce reliance on single-use products to ensure that future generations have a clean and healthy environment to live, work, and recreate in.

WHEREAS, banning or limiting the use of single-use plastic and paper carryout bags is a significant step in this effort.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Clean Communities Council, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the New Jersey Department of State, policymakers, environmental and business groups, as well as other stakeholders, are working together to educate consumers, businesses, and communities about the new law and encouraging residents to "Bag Up" before the ban goes into effect.

WHEREAS, the comprehensive "Bag Up NJ" campaign will include educational programs, public and media engagement and reusable bag distribution programs throughout the state, with an emphasis on underserved communities.

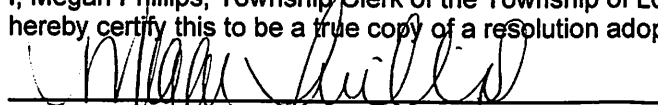
WHEREAS, this statewide public education campaign will provide residents, businesses and visitors with information about the types of reusable and sustainable bags and containers that they may use and where to access these products.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Long Hill, Morris County Board of Commissioners that it is critical to begin educating the public about this new law, which will have a significant environmental benefit when the ban takes effect on May 4, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one way to gain important recognition is to deem the month of May each year as "Bag Up NJ" month in Township of Long Hill, Morris County, a further reminder that county residents should bring their own reusable bags to the store.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	x			
	x	LAVENDER	x			
x		PISERCHIA	x			
		RAE	x			
		VERLEZZA	x			

I, Megan Phillips, Township Clerk of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee April 13, 2022.



 Megan Phillips, RMC
 Township Clerk