

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY**  
**County of Camden, State of New Jersey**

#R 174 -2019

**RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT FROM THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL FOR 57 STAR, L.L.C.'s ("NATIVE ROOTS") APPLICATION FOR A VERTICALLY LICENSED MEDICAL CANNABIS FACILITIES IN THE SOUTHPORT REDEVELOPMENT AREA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 2, OF P.L. 2009, C.307, AS AMENDED ON JULY 2, 2019, KNOWN AS THE JAKE HONIG COMPASSIONATE USE MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gloucester City (the "City") located in Camden County, advertised and conducted a hearing on September 27, 2018, to receive public input to gauge the City's resident's support for locating medical cannabis related facilities in the Southport Redevelopment Area; and

**WHEREAS**, most, if not all, of the residents in attendance at the September 27, 2018 hearing, spoke overwhelmingly in favor of siting vertically licensed medical cannabis related facilities within the Southport Redevelopment Area of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body previously had announced that any process to locate a medical cannabis related facility within the City would be an open and transparent process with substantial input from all City residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Common Council have listened carefully to the citizens of the City and determined that predicated upon the significant favor public response, believe it is in the best interest of the City to attract such a facility, within the user friendly redevelopment zone identified as the Southport Redevelopment Area located within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Common Council vetted and interviewed numerous firms interested in locating such facilities within the City and specifically chose 57 Star, L.L.C.'S ("Native Roots"), which has thirteen (13) medical locations and two (2) cultivation and extraction facilities in the State of Colorado and is regarded as one of the country's most successful vertically integrated cannabis companies, with sophisticated cultivation, manufacturing and retail operations that pride itself on living a culture of compliance and have an unparalleled commitment to the communities they operate within with less than 3% of the state's medical dispensaries, it accounted for between 5.38%-6.11% of total sales in 2018 and

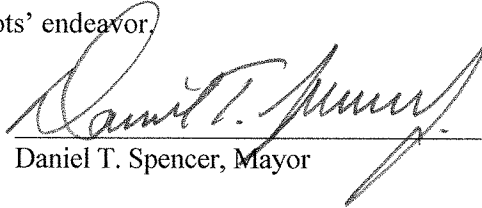
through 2019, and it serves 5.34% of the patient population in Colorado, as a reputable and viable company with a wealth of technical experience in the medical cannabis industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Mayor and Common Council wholeheartedly supports and endorses Native Roots in its desire to apply for and locate licensed cannabis related facilities within the City; and

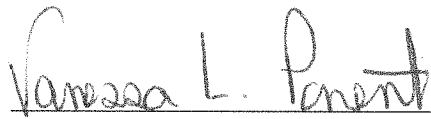
**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Common Counsel without a degree of hesitation enthusiastically authorize the Honorable Mayor Daniel T. Spencer to forward a letter to New Jersey Department of Health, Medical Marijuana Program in support of Native Roots vertical license application pursuant to Section 2, of P.L. 2009, c.307, as amended on July 2, 2019, known as the Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
2. The City of Gloucester City Mayor and Common Counsel authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver a Letter of Endorsement, in a form approved by the City Solicitor, which reflect the entire City's support for Native Roots application for a vertical medical cannabis license, to be located within the great and proud City of Gloucester City.
3. The City Solicitor and Mayor are further hereby authorized to execute any and all related documents in order to assist Native Roots' endeavor.

  
Daniel T. Spencer, Mayor

Passed by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

  
Vanessa Parent, RMC, City Clerk