## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY County of Camden, State of New Jersey #R 33/ -2016

## **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S981**

WHEREAS, counties and municipalities are burdened with the expense and environmental impact of the existing New Jersey "Electronic Waste Management Act"; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers of Covered Electronic Devices (CED) are not meeting their legal obligation to provide a free and convenient collection opportunity in each county; and

WHEREAS, CED manufacturers are not fully supporting successful government programs by covering the full cost to collect and dispose of CED's generated by consumers in accordance with the New Jersey "Electronic Waste Management Act"; and

**WHEREAS**, the lack of support by CED manufacturers has resulted in negative economic impacts to local government budgets and the elimination of longstanding successful collection programs; and

WHEREAS, existing manufacturer supported private collection opportunities are insufficient and incapable of handling the overwhelming volume of material should government collection processes cease to operate; and

**WHEREAS**, the elimination of government collection programs has serious potential to cause an increase in illegal dumping activities due to the lack of drop off opportunities provided by CED manufacturers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City does hereby call upon the members of the Senate, General Assembly and specifically the Governor of New Jersey, to support Senate Bill S981 and Assembly Bill A2375, amendments which would enable to continuation of government sponsored collection programs, free of charge to consumers and taxpayers, therefore fulfilling the intent of the original law.

William P. James, Mayor

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 5th day of Dec., 2016.

Kathleen M. Jentsch. City Clerk