RESOLUTION NO. 27-12

THE BRICK TOWNSHIP MUNCIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

A Resolution Opposing the Mandatory Fluoridation in New Jersey Drinking Water under A-1811 and S-959 –

"New Jersey Public Water Supply Fluoridation Act"

WHEREAS, the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority ("Authority") is a duly constituted corporate body politic operating pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Statute 40:14B-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, at a recent hearing, the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee did vote in the majority on A-1811 and "New Jersey Public Water Supply Fluoridation Act" essentially proposing mandatory fluoridation in the State's drinking water supply; and

WHEREAS, at a recent hearing, the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee of did vote in the majority on S-959 and "New Jersey Public Water Supply Fluoridation Act" essentially proposing mandatory fluoridation in the State's drinking water supply; and

WHEREAS, although the American Water Works Association ("AWWA), a highly regarded national organization of water professionals, has supported fluoridation, they recommend that the decision to fluoridate should be made at the local purveyor level; and

WHEREAS, the Authority recognizes the benefit of fluoride to certain parts of the population; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Authority to provide safe drinking water to its ratepayers, rather than provide mass medication to the public; and

WHEREAS, alternatives exist to provide fluoride to individuals who desire it.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Brick Township Municipal Authority Board opposes mandating fluoridation and requests that the decision be left to the local water purveyors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each legislator as well as the Governor, Senate President, Assembly Speaker, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the Mayor and Council of the Township of Brick.

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority in the Township of Brick, County of Ocean, at its meeting held February 27, 2012

George Cevasco

Assistant Secretary/Treasurer