RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 63

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE EGG HARBOR, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE SITING OF THE NEW KC-46A TANKER AIRCRAFT AT JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST

WHEREAS, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst covers 42,000 acres in Ocean and Burling Counties, is the only Tri-Service Joint Base in the nation, is the second largest employer in the State of New Jersey and generates a $6.9 Billion economic impact; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Base supports 80+ mission partners and is a critical asset for the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines, Guard and Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Joint Base in 2009 resulted in increased coordination and collaboration between the military services and achieved greater efficiencies, as desired by the Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, Air Mobility refueling is a major mission at the Joint Base which is home to KC-10 and KC-135 tanker aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the current fleet is aging and must be replaced with the new KC-46A tankers, and

WHEREAS, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst is one of eleven installations nationwide that are being evaluated by the Department of the Air Force for the siting of KC-46A aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Base has superior facilities and capabilities for continued air mobility missions using the KC-46A tanker aircraft.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey that:

1. It fully supports the siting of the new KC-46A aircraft at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

2. It urges the Department of the Air Force to consider all aspects of the Joint and Total Force capabilities of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst in making its selection, including its advantageous location for trans-Atlantic operations.

3. Certified copies of this resolution shall be made available to Governor Chris Christie, Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and Mayors of Ocean County.

Motion to Approve: Kehm Second: Stevens Roll Call:

Gormley	yes
Kehm	yes
Kobryn	yes
Schlick	yes
Stevens	yes

CERTIFICATION

I, **DIANA K. MCCRACKEN, RMC**, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township of Little Egg Harbor Township Committee at a meeting held on the 11th day of February, 2016.

Diana K McCracken, RMC

DIANA K. MCCRACKEN, RMC, Clerk
Township of Little Egg Harbor