

EXPLANATION: This Resolution authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute a Settlement Agreement and General Release in the matter of Kyle Pirog v. Township of Bedminster.

**BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION No. 2016-103**

WHEREAS, the Township of Bedminster is a defendant in a lawsuit (Morris County, Docket No. L-1105-15 ("Lawsuit")) filed by plaintiff Kyle Pirog ("Pirog");

WHEREAS, Pirog asserted various claims in the lawsuit for violations of the Conscientious Employment Protection Act ("CEPA"), N.J.S.A. 34:19-1 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the defense attorneys for the Township of Bedminster have negotiated and have recommended an amicable resolution and settlement of Pirog's Lawsuit, including Pirog's release of all claims against the Township;

WHEREAS, the Township of Bedminster is desirous of avoiding the burdens, cost and expense of further litigation;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Township Committee desire to approve and enter a General Settlement and Release with Pirog; and

WHEREAS, the settlement is not an admission of fault or wrongdoing by the Township of Bedminster, but it is proposed to fully resolve all disputed claims between the parties without the cost and expense of continued litigation, a trial and potential exposure to the Township of Bedminster to significant legal fees, costs, and a potential award for damages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bedminster, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The recitals are hereby incorporated as if restated herein in full.
2. The Mayor and Township Committee find and determine that it is in the best interests of the Township of Bedminster to settle Pirog's Lawsuit.
3. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and General Release.
4. Upon execution of the Agreement and General Release by the Township of Bedminster, the Township Clerk shall forward said Agreement to all involved parties.

ATTEST:

BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

By: _____
Judith A. Sullivan, Twp. Clerk

By: _____
Steven E Parker, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Judith A. Sullivan, Township Clerk of the Township of Bedminster, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a Special Meeting of said Committee held on September 12, 2016.

Judith A. Sullivan, Township Clerk

Introduced	Seconded	Township Committee	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
		Steven E. Parker, Mayor				
		Bernie Pane				
		Lawrence F. Jacobs				
		Staci Santucci				
		Kenneth Olsen				