

RESOLUTION No. 2024-51

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GREEN ACRES PROGRAM FOR A
FY2024 JAKE'S LAW GRANT**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides grants and/or loans to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition, development, and stewardship of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Belmar desires to further the public interest by obtaining funding in the amount of \$325,525, in the form of a \$81,382 matching grant and, if available, a \$244,143 loan, from the State to fund the following project(s): Maclearie Park Inclusive Playground Project at a cost of \$325,525;

WHEREAS, the State shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the applicant of the amount of the funding award; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with such rules, regulations, and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above-named project;

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body/board resolves that:

1. Kevin Kane, or the successor to the office of Business Administrator, is hereby authorized to:
 - a) make application for such a loan and/or such a grant,
 - b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required, and
 - c) act as the authorized correspondent of the above-named applicant;
2. The applicant agrees to provide its matching share to the Green Acres funding request, if a match is required, in the amount of \$81,382;
3. In the event the State's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the applicant has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project;
4. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, April Claudio, Clerk of the Borough of Belmar, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Belmar at a meeting held on the day of February 6, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and the official seal of this body this day of February 6, 2024.

APRIL CLAUDIO, RMC/CMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK