

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung has submitted to the Council on Affordable Housing a final housing element and fair share plan, and has petitioned the Council for substantive certification of said plan; and


WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:92-15.1 permits a municipality to establish an occupancy preference such that no more than 50% of the low and moderate income units provided in inclusionary developments may be made available to eligible households that either reside or work in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Watchung has requested that it be permitted to include residents of the adjacent municipality of North Plainfield within the 50% occupancy preference, because the inclusionary developments contained in Watchung's housing element and fair share plan are located on the border with North Plainfield, and further, because said units will as a result utilize North Plainfield's utilities and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the request, and finds that allowing Watchung to include North Plainfield residents within its 50% occupancy preference is in furtherance of the objectives of the Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq., and Council regulations, as it expands the occupancy preference to cover residents of Watchung's region that are most directly affected by the housing element and fair share plan, and for all the reasons set forth at length at the Council's public meeting on January 19, 1988;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Watchung is hereby permitted to expand its 50% occupancy preference to include residents of the Borough of North Plainfield.

I hereby certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the Council on Affordable Housing at its public meeting on *3/21/88*.



Renee Reiss, Secretary
Council on Affordable Housing

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