

A Resolution in Recognition and Respect for

Stuart R. Koenig

and Expressing Condolences on His Untimely Passing to his Family and Friends and Colleagues

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2012 the municipal government community in New Jersey as well as the New Jersey State League of Municipalities lost a passionate advocate, great public servant, and dear colleague and friend with the sudden passing of Stuart R. Koenig, Esq.; and

WHEREAS, Stuart R. Koenig, Esq., was a partner in the firm of Stickel, Koenig & Sullivan, having graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctorate from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, and was admitted to practice law in the State of New Jersey in 1972; and

WHEREAS, since 1978 Mr. Koenig has concentrated his field of practice to land use and municipal law, representing numerous local governments and governmental agencies as counsel and special counsel, and was long recognized as one of the few State's leading experts on affordable housing, land use and municipal law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koenig was Senior Assistant Counsel to the New Jersey State League of Municipalities serving as Chair of the League's Land Use, Environment and Community Development Legislative Committee for 12 years, and often testified on behalf of the League before the Legislature and numerous regulatory agencies; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koenig meticulously represented the League as Counsel before the Courts on various matters of significant importance to local governments and our taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koenig was the author of Cox and Koenig, New Jersey Zoning and Land Use Administration," the definitive reference on the municipal land use law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koenig also actively served the public interest in many other ways, including as General Counsel to the New Jersey Planning Officials, Chair of the Municipal Land Use Law Technical Review Committee, a Court appointed Special Master in affordable housing litigation on four occasions, Past President and Trustee of the New Jersey Institute of Local Government, a frequent panelist at educational programs conducted by the League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Planning Officials, and the Institute for Continuing Legal Education and was published in numerous magazines and referenced in countless newspaper articles; and

WHEREAS, while Mr. Koenig possessed a unique set of skills, it is his commitment and devotion to his clients, to the New Jersey Planning Officials, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and the public's best interest that makes him irreplaceable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this **21st day of September**, **2012**, that Mr. Koenig's friends and colleagues of the Legislative Committee of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, deeply mourn the sudden death of Mr. Stuart R. Koenig, Esq; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we do extend to his devoted wife Patricia, his daughter Katie and her husband Doug, his son Kevin and his fiancé Lindsay, his sister Susan, his brother, Kenneth, his parents and to the entire Koenig family, as well as his friends and colleagues at the firm of Stickel, Koenig & Sullivan, our sincere, heartfelt sympathy and the assurance that Stuart and they will be remembered in our thoughts and prayers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be presented to the family of Stuart R. Koenig.

ARTHUR R. ONDISH President, NJLM WILLIAM G. DRESSEL, JR. Executive Director, NJLM

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