BOROUGH OF BUENA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A-4234 SUPPORTING INVESTMENT LEGISLATION FOR JOINT INSURANCE FUNDS TO EXPAND THEIR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

R-12-2017

Sponsors: John Burzichelli, Vincent Mazzo, Thomas Giblin, Valerie Huttle, Angela McKnight, Tim Eustace, Nancy Pinkin and Gordon Johnson

Whereas: Almost all local units of government and Boards of Education in New Jersey secure insurance through governmental entities known as joint insurance funds (hereinafter JIFs),

Whereas: Existing law limits JIFs to investments otherwise authorized for local governmental entities and Boards of Education,

Whereas: Existing law greatly limits the potential investment earnings, currently less than 1% on investments of approximately \$1 billion,

Whereas: S-2663 and A-4234 would permit JIFs to invest in debt obligations of any governmental entity established under the laws of the State of New Jersey,

Whereas: While the range of investments permitted by A-4234 is still very conservative, it would save the taxpayers at least \$10 million per year,

Whereas: A-4234 would also reduce interest expense for local units of government and boards of education by creating an additional purchaser of their bonds,

Whereas: A-4234 would also permit JIFs to join together and create a joint investment and cash management program further increasing investment income, and

Whereas: The Senate companion bill, S-2663 has already been adopted

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Borough of Buena Municipal Utilities Authority that:

1. The legislature is urged to adopt A-4234,

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Assembly Speaker and the legislative delegation in district 2, as well as the Governor, Commissioner of the Department of Banking and Insurance and the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs.

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By: JOSEPH SANTAGATA, CHAIRMAN

Attest:

CHERYLM. SANTORE, SECRETARY

I Cheryl M. Santore, Secretary of the Borough of Buena Municipal Utilities Authority, do hereby that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Borough of Buena Municipal Utilities Authority held on March 8, 2017.

Cheryl M. Santone CHERYL M. SANTORE, SECRETARY