## VILLAGE OF KIRYAS JOEL VILLAGE BOARD

## RESOLUTION

## ESTABLISHING THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS LEAD AGENCY, DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE (POSITIVE DECLARATION), AND PUBLIC SCOPING UNDER THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT WITH RESPECT TO ANNEXATION OF 507+/- ACRES FROM THE TOWN OF MONROE TO THE VILLAGE OF KIRYAS JOEL

## February 6, 2015

WHEREAS, on or about December 23, 2013, certain private property owners ("petitioners") filed a petition with the Village of Kiryas Joel ("Village") and Town of Monroe ("Town") to annex approximately 507+/- acres of territory comprised of 177 tax lots from the Town to the Village ("Annexation Petition"); and

WHEREAS, the petitioners represent a majority in assessed valuation of the real property in the territory proposed to be annexed, according to the 2013 Final Assessment Roll of the Town, dated June 20, 2013; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2015, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner designated the Village Board of Trustees ("Village Board") to serve as Lead Agency for review of the Annexation Petition under provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617 ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, under SEQRA, since the Annexation Petition seeks annexation of 100 or more contiguous acres of land, the Annexation Petition is classified as a Type I action;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Village Board has been established as SEQRA Lead Agency and, as SEQRA Lead Agency, hereby issues a positive declaration of environmental significance for the Annexation Petition, finding that there is at least one potential adverse environmental effect that may result from the Annexation Petition, and incorporating by reference into this resolution the attached Notice of Positive Declaration;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Village Board, as SEQRA Lead Agency, will require the preparation of a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for the review of the proposed Annexation Petition and that public scoping is authorized and will be undertaken as set forth in the attached Notice of Positive Declaration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a draft scope of the DGEIS has been prepared by the Village's environmental consultant for public comment and, together with the Notice of Positive Declaration, should be filed, circulated and published as required by SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Village Administrator is directed to arrange for the scheduling and conduct of a public meeting to receive comments on the draft scope in accordance with the provisions of SEQRA.

On the motion of Trustee Landau, seconded by Trustee Goldstein, the foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abs.

Dated: February 6, 2015