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Freeholder Director Ware's Statement on meeting with Clerk Gill regarding PARIS Grant Funding.

(SALEM, NJ – Freeholder Director Lee Ware today released the following statement concerning the Freeholder Administration Committee's meeting with County Clerk Gilda Gill regarding \$177,000 of PARIS funding in danger of forfeiture to the State of New Jersey as a result of participation concerns:

"The Administration Committee meeting with County Clerk Gilda Gill which was held earlier today concerning PARIS Grant funding was productive and the outcome was encouraging. Both parties agreed on a corrective plan of action that we believe will maintain the County's standing in the program.

"As a result of this meeting we agreed that communication concerning the grant objectives needs to be improved and initiatives need to be approved by all parties concerned. In order to further this goal, the Freeholders will be establishing a Records Committee which will provide guidance to the County's Office of Archives and Records Management. County Clerk Gill will be asked to serve on this committee.

"Additionally, we will be working with the NJ Division of Archives and Records Management (DARM) to reallocate the \$177,000 not utilized by County Clerk Gill to other PARIS initiatives.

"I believe that we must ensure that the lines of communication be kept open so that the County's glowing standing in the program be maintained. Cooperation is key to maintaining our commitment to providing excellent service to the residents of Salem County."