



JERLENE H. WORTHY, CLERK  
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

**COUNTY OF MERCER**  
McDADE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
640 SOUTH BROAD STREET  
P.O. BOX 8068  
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08650-0068  
(609) 989-6584  
Fax: (609) 392-0488

LISA M. VENA  
DEPUTY CLERK

February 13, 2017

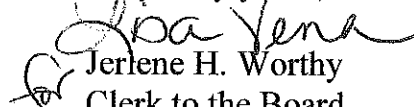
Dear Freeholder Board Clerks:

Enclosed please find a copy of Resolution No.2017-95 urging Congress and the President of the United States not to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

This Resolution was adopted by the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders at their Formal Meeting held on January 26, 2017.

The County Executive and Freeholders of this County are deeply concerned about this matter. Please, assure that your support is appreciated.

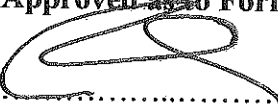
Very truly yours,

  
Jerlene H. Worthy  
Clerk to the Board  
Mercer County Board of  
Chosen Freeholders

JHW/ew  
Encl. (1)  
CC: New Jersey Senate  
General Assembly

Approved as to Form and Legality

Date

  
 .....  
 Deputy County Counsel

January 26, 2017  
 .....

COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS URGES CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES NOT TO REPEAL THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President; and,

WHEREAS, Congress is considering repealing the ACA and replacing it at a later date; and,

WHEREAS, there is no guarantee that the replacement will provide the same level of health coverage and protections for New Jerseyans; and,

WHEREAS, a number of national leaders have proposed repealing the ACA this Congressional session but do not have any concrete or detailed proposals to replace the ACA; and,

WHEREAS, Congress has not agreed to key protections of the ACA now benefitting millions of New Jerseyans they would preserve; modify or replace such as:

.....  
 Clerk to the Board

RECORD OF VOTE													
FREEHOLDER	Aye	Nay	N.V.	Abs.	Res.	Sec.	FREEHOLDER	Aye	Nay	N.V.	Abs.	Res.	Sec.
Cannon	X				✓		Verrelli	X					
Cimino	X						Walter				X		
Frisby	X					✓	Colavita	X					
Koontz	X												

X—Indicates Vote      Abs.—Absent      N.V.—Not Voting  
 Res.—Resolution Moved      Sec.—Resolution Seconded

1. Requirement that insurers can no longer deny coverage or charge more for pre-existing conditions.
2. Provision that young adults be allowed to remain on their parent's health insurance up to age 26.
3. Requirement that all plans cover no-cost preventative care.
4. Requirement that all plans cover mental health and substance use treatment.
5. Requirement that all insurance plans cover maternity and newborn care.
6. Requirement that health care plans cover contraceptive services.
7. Requirement that insurance companies cannot charge more based on gender.
8. Ban on annual and lifetime caps.
9. The Medicaid expansion that extends health care coverage to 500,000 New Jerseyans with family incomes up to 138% of the federal poverty level (\$16,242 for an individual and \$33,465 for a family of four).
10. Federal tax subsidies now available that reduce health care premiums and make health care more affordable for NJ consumers whose families earn less than 400% of the federal poverty level (\$97,200 for a family of four)
11. Reforms that grow stronger every year and will close the Medicare prescription "donut hole" by 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, one of the measures that Congress is considering replacing the ACA with is a Medicaid block grant which would permanently cap and sharply reduce federal Medicaid funding in New Jersey and jeopardize the health services to many of the 1.8 million seniors, people with disabilities, the working poor who rely on this assistance, and shift major costs to the state and localities; and,

**WHEREAS**, it has been estimated that repealing the Medicaid expansion alone would result in approximately 528,000 adults in New Jersey, or approximately 10 percent of the State's adult population, losing coverage. This estimate includes both those who became newly eligible for Medicaid under the ACA expansion and those who were covered prior to the enactment of the ACA under waivers that have since expired; and,

**WHEREAS**, nearly two thirds of those at risk of losing Medicaid coverage following a repeal of the ACA are either active in the workforce or live in a working household, but have a household income that makes health insurance unaffordable without assistance; in many cases, access to health coverage is essential to keeping the working members of the household in the workforce; and,

.....  
*Clerk to the Board*

**WHEREAS**, anyone currently covered by the ACA would receive no guarantee that they would continue to receive coverage; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is further estimated that the Medicaid repeal alone could cause New Jersey to lose approximately \$3 billion in federal funds in each year following repeal and an additional \$4.1 billion in lost economic activity and jobs, particularly in the health care industry; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is no compelling reason to repeal the ACA; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Executive and the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders urges Congress and the President of the United States not to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Members of Congress that represent Mercer County and to all Clerk of the Boards of Chosen Freeholders throughout the State of New Jersey.



.....  
*Clerk to the Board*

Atlantic City Electric  
5100 Harding Highway  
Mays Landing, NJ 08330  
800.642.3780

atlanticcityelectric.com

February 14, 2017

0121  
SALEM COUNTY RAILROAD C/O FREEHOLDERS  
AND/OR CURRENT RESIDENT  
94 MARKET STREET  
SALEM NJ 08079

RE: Right of Way 116, Salem-Woodstown

Dear Current Owner,

Atlantic City Electric Company will be out along our right of way on or adjacent to your property to perform environmental research surveying and studies along our transmission line.

The work is scheduled to commence on or about February 13, 2017 and be completed by March 1, 2017.

Should you have any questions with regard to this work please feel free to contact the Environmental Scientist, Jennifer Ruegg at 609-625-6388.

Sincerely,



Neil P. Baker  
Manager, Real Estate