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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & Council
FROM: William S. Drake, Fire Official
DATE: August 26, 2014
RE: Fireworks Display & Authorization Resolution

I have attached a resolution for your consideration at the next Mayor & Council meeting. The resolution gives permission to Princeton University to have Garden State Fireworks of Millington, NJ stage a fireworks display on September 27, 2014, to in conjunction with a football game. The fireworks event will be held rain or shine on this evening.

The New Jersey Uniform Fire Code (*N.J.A.C. 5:70 et seq.*) requires the governing body provide authorization for such displays by resolution, prior to the Fire Official granting a permit for such display. Based on my review of the permit application, the proposed locations on the lands owned by Princeton University are of sufficient size to accommodate the number, type, and diameter of the proposed fireworks. There should be no fallout or other detritus from the display leaving the boundaries these lands.

The show will last approximately 15 minutes or less. The Princeton Fire Department and Princeton EMS will be onsite during the course of the fireworks, as per Robert Gregory, Emergency Services Director, and the Princeton Police will be controlling road closings and providing traffic control. Princeton University Department of Public Safety will be providing security.. Princeton University will also be responsible for post display cleanup and the “first light” inspection/check for unexploded fireworks shells.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.