## TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON

## **RESOLUTION 2015-08-157B**

## RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee learned through an OPRA request and subsequent litigation that executive session meeting minutes for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 were not properly maintained; and

**WHEREAS**, this was in violation of a 2009 consent order filed with the Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has accepted responsibility for this oversight,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Municipal Clerk, Stephanie N. Yurko, RMC, be and is hereby suspended, without pay, for a period of sixty (60) calendar days, the maximum amount permitted by law, for violation of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:9-133(e)(1) and (2). The term shall run from August 25, 2015 through October 24, 2015.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of the Clerk's acknowledgement of the suspension shall be forwarded to the Director of Local Government Services.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee shall contract with a member or former member of the Burlington County Clerk's Association to provide mentorship and training to the Clerk upon her return so that the municipal records are better protected and preserved pursuant to law.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Brandon E. Umba, Deputy Municipal Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

Brandon E. Umba

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Township Administrator/Deputy Municipal Clerk