## RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY

**RESOLUTION NO. 1451** 

**DATE OF ADOPTION: SEPTEMBER 12, 2013** 

SUBJECT:

CONVERT 3 SMALL UNDESIRABLE STUDIOS AT 224 WEST GRAND AVENUE INTO 2 HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE ONE BEDROOM UNITS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION was presented by the Executive Director/Secretary at a Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2013:

WHEREAS, during Hurricane Irene 32 units at 224 West Grand Avenue were heavily damaged due to the flooding; and

WHEREAS, except for the removal of asbestos most if not all repairs will be covered by Flood or General Insurance; and

WHEREAS, Rahway Housing Authority's Insurance Company has agreed to convert these 3 studio apartments into the 2 handicap units as long as in principle, the cost is roughly the same; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered by Union County has awarded the Rahway Housing Authority \$30,000 for the specialized equipment necessary for the unit to be deemed handicapped (i.e. grab bars, ADA compliant stove, pull out cabinet shelves, etc.); and

WHEREAS, Rahway Housing Authority (RHA) does have handicap units but only 2 at the Kennedy Apartments out of 82 units. Each site should have at least 5% of its units designated as handicap units; and

WHEREAS, the HUD field office in Newark concurred with this plan; and

WHEREAS, this conversion of 3 studio units into 2 one bedroom handicap units will reduce RHA public housing units by one, from 274 to 273.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners approves of the conversion of 3 studio units into 2 one bedroom handicap units at 224 West Grand Avenue.

**COMMISSIONER** Bailey made a motion to adopt the above resolution, which was seconded by **COMMISSIONER** Thomas, and on a roll call vote the Ayes and Nays were as follows:

AYES

NAYS

**ABSTAIN** 

**ABSENT** 

Bailey

Parson

Pekarofski

Ragan

Thomas

THE CHAIRPERSON thereupon declared Resolution No. 1451 adopted.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Housing Authority of the City of Rahway adopted on September 12, 2013

Kenneth Pushko

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Executive Director/Secretary

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