**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-11.\_\_\_**

**OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

***RESOLUTION URGING THE ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION AND/OR REGULATION DIRECTING PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY TO COVER THE COST OF MILLING AND PAVING ENTIRE ROADWAYS CURB-TO-CURB UPON COMPLETION OF UPGRADING AND/OR REPAIR WORK***

WHEREAS, Public Service Electric & Gas Company is in the midst of a gas modernization program wherein gas mains and meters to homes and businesses throughout the State are being upgraded and replaced; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish this work, roads must be opened to provide underground access to the homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, after the work is completed, PSE&G simply paves the area where their work is performed and not the entire road, resulting in an aesthetically unpleasant appearance and in many instances leaving ruts and apertures in the patchwork; and

WHEREAS, this practice results in dissatisfied taxpayers and residents, who register their objections with the municipality; and

WHEREAS, although PSE&G has been requested to cover the cost to mill and pave the entire road repeatedly, they refuse to do so on most of the roads, claiming that they are only obligated to repair the areas where their work was performed, leaving the cost of bringing the roads back to a proper standard entirely upon the municipalities; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body feels strongly that PSE&G should be responsible for and cover the cost of milling and paving entire roads which have been disrupted, curb-to-curb, upon the completion of their work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, in the County of Passaic, URGE the passage of legislation and/or regulations requiring PSE&G to cover the cost of milling and paving of entire roads which have been opened by them, curb-to-curb, upon completion of their work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Gerald Cardinale; to Assemblyman Robert Auth; to Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi; to the Clerk of all Passaic County municipalities; to the New Jersey State League of Municipalities for consideration at their annual convention in November; to the New Jersey Conference of Mayors; to Public Serve Electric & Gas Company and to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

**Record of Council Vote on Passage**

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale at an Official Meeting held on November 1, 2017.

Jane McCarthy, R.M.C.

Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale