

**RESOLUTION
KENILWORTH, NJ**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO ENROLL IN THE MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY
(MEL) JOINT INSURANCE FUND FLOOD RISK CONTROL PROGRAM PROVIDING
LEGAL/ENGINEERING CONSULTATION AND ASSISTANCE AT NO COST TO MEL MEMBERS**

WHEREAS, there has been a rash of lawsuits against communities alleging that residents suffered large losses because towns are negligent in controlling flood waters;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund's (MEL) underwriters are ready to provide legal and engineering resources to assist MEL members, such as the Borough of Kenilworth ("Borough"), at no cost, in their efforts to implement flood risk control programs;

WHEREAS, the MEL has retained Methfessel & Werbel to provide members with legal services and Boswell to provide engineering assistance;

WHEREAS, Governing Body believes it is in the best interests of the Borough and its citizens to enroll in the MEL's program providing members with legal services and engineering assistance at no cost to the Borough in the Borough's efforts to implement flood risk control programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Kenilworth, County of Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enroll the Borough in the MEL's program providing members with legal services and engineering assistance at no cost to the Borough in the Borough's efforts to implement flood risk control programs.
2. The Borough's officials, employees, and professionals, as needed, are hereby authorized to take such actions as needed to assist the Borough in enrolling in the MEL program.

	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	
Councilman Patrick Boyle						x	
Councilman Joseph Finistrella			x				
Councilwoman Toni Giordano Picerno			x				
Councilman William Mauro	x		x				
Councilman Douglas Piper			x				
Councilman Savino Scorese		x	x				
Mayor Linda Karlovitch							
ON CONSENT AGENDA	Yes	x	No				

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Kenilworth at a Meeting held on May 21, 2025.


Laura Reinertsen, Borough Clerk

