

CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Executive Office

Resolution No.: 12-10-19I

Resolution Title:

**Resolution Commending James Harveson on His Retirement from
the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency**

Project Summary:

N/A

Purpose of Resolution:

To recognize distinguished service.

Award Process:

N/A

Cost Not To Exceed:

N/A

Total Project Cost:

N/A

Source of Funds:

N/A

**COMMENDING *JAMES HARVESON* ON HIS RETIREMENT
FROM THE CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, James T. Harveson is retiring from the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency effective December 31, 2019, following a dedicated period of service commencing in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harveson has contributed significantly to Camden's historic revitalization in the role of Economic Development Director through oversight of projects resulting in legacy ventures such as the \$1 billion dollar development of the Camden Waterfront, \$100 million expansion of the Campbell Soup Company World Headquarters and Knight's Crossing Office Park, the transformation of the former Harrison Avenue Landfill creating the \$90 million award-winning Salvation Army Joan and Ray Kroc Community Center and \$50 million Cramer Hill Waterfront Park, as well as the \$12 million redevelopment of the award-winning Roosevelt Plaza Park adjacent to City Hall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harveson has been instrumental in furthering the City's renaissance through the solicitation and securing of state and federal grants totaling more than \$40 million, namely State Department of Environmental Protection and US Environmental Protection Agency funds, which made possible the considerable remediation and reuse of brownfields sites throughout the City of Camden for residential, commercial, and institutional purposes; and

WHEREAS, prior to his joining the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, Mr. Harveson contributed to the state of New Jersey in roles of increasing authority and impact, including as Executive Director of the Trenton Business Assistance Corporation, Director of Economic Development for the City of Trenton, Director of the Department of Housing and Development for the City of Trenton, and as an adviser at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, who in 2018 supported the capital city as a member of the Economic Development Transition Team for its 48th Mayor Reed Gusciora; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harveson prepared for the challenges of these appointments at Grove City College (Grove City, PA), where he earned the bachelor degree and, subsequently, completed advanced coursework at George Washington University (Washington, DC); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harveson embraced these duties while being a devoted husband to Barbara and father to Eric and Ingrid, and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate from time to time for the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency to honor those individuals who have served with dedication and distinction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that James Harveson is hereby commended for his long and distinguished service and that best wishes are extended on his retirement from the Board of Commissioners.

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ON MOTION OF: *Vance Bowman*

SECONDED BY: *Ian K. Leonard*

| COMMISSIONER | AYES | NAYS | ABSTENTIONS |
|-------------------|------|------|-------------|
| Vance C. Bowman | ✓ | | |
| Sheila Davis | ✓ | | |
| Ian K. Leonard | ✓ | | |
| Jose Javier Ramos | ✓ | | |
| Maria Sharma | ✓ | | |
| Marilyn Torres | ✓ | | |

Marilyn Jones
Marilyn Torres
Chairperson

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Olivette Simpson
Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

[Signature]
Michael J. Watson, Esq.
Board Counsel