# TOWNSHIP of HOPEWELL

## MERCER COUNTY

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***Township Clerk***

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## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL**
**COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by the filing of a Verified Complaint for Declaratory Judgment Pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-313, petitioner, the Township of Hopewell ("Township") commenced an action in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Mercer County, on July 7, 2015, entitled *In the Matter of the Application of the Township of Hopewell in Mercer County* (the Docket No. is currently unassigned). The Township brings this action seeking declaratory judgement for immunity and repose pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-313 and a judicial declaration that its housing plan (as-is or as to be supplemented) is presumptively valid because it presents a realistic opportunity for the provision of its fair share of the region's present and prospective need for low- and moderate- income housing pursuant to the New Jersey Supreme Court's decision and Order entered on March 10, 2015 in In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96 & 5:97 by NJ Council on Affordable Housing, 221 N.J. 1 (2015).

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that with the filing of Petitioner's Complaint, the Township also filed a companion Motion for Temporary Immunity Prohibiting Exclusionary Zoning Actions, seeking temporary immunity against exclusionary zoning lawsuits from the date of the filing of Petitioner's Complaint and extending up to and including the court's determination that the Township's Housing Element and Fair Share affordable housing plan and implementing zoning and land development ordinances are compliant with the Township's third round Mount Laurel affordable housing obligations. Said motion is currently scheduled to be heard by the Court on September 18, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. before the Honorable Mary C. Jacobson, A.J.S.C. Superior Court of New Jersey - Mercer County, Mercer County Courthouse, 400 South Warren Street, Trenton, New Jersey, 08650.

Any party objecting to the Township's action or motion for temporary immunity should, not later than 8 days before the return date thereof, serve and file a written objection with the Court at 175 South Broad Street, PO Box 8068, Trenton, New Jersey 08650-0068, and provide a copy to the Township Clerk and Township Attorney at the addresses below.

Copies of the Township's Complaint, Motion and companion pleadings are available upon request made to the Municipal Clerk at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building, 201 Washington Crossing - Pennington Road, Titusville, New Jersey 08560, during regular business hours.

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HVN, 1X, 7/16/2015 Fee: $43.71

I, Laurie E. Gompf, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Hopewell, in the County of Mercer, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the notice which is attached hereto is exactly as it was published on July 16, 2015 in the Hopewell Valley News, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed in the State of New Jersey and having its publication office at 300 Witherspoon Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08542.

ADVERTISING FEE: $43.71

Laurie E. Gompf

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Municipal Clerk

Sworn and subscribed before me
this 16th day of July 2015

Lisa M. Fania

Notary Public of New Jersey

LISA M. FANIA
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
I.D. # 2373237
My Commission Expires 5/28/2018