

**RESOLUTION NO. 199-2016**

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
HARRISON DESIGNATING GARY F. GARDNER, INC. AS A QUALIFIED REHABILITATION  
ENTITY AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of Harrison has commenced a program to address abandoned and vacant residential properties which are in need of rehabilitation; and

**WHEREAS**, such abandoned and vacant residential properties have a negative effect on the quality of life of adjacent property owners, increasing the risk of property damage through arson and vandalism, and discouraging neighborhood stability and revitalization; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 16, 2015, Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, via Ordinance No. 23-2015, adopted an Ordinance which complies with the provisions of the Abandoned Property and Rehabilitation Act, N.J.S.A. 55:19-78, et seq; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Housing Officer has established an abandoned property list; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee seeks to designate a qualified rehabilitation entity for the purpose of exercising the Township's rights relating to the repair, maintenance and/or safeguard of the vacant and abandoned residential properties; and

**WHEREAS**, such designation of a qualified rehabilitation entity is consistent with N.J.S.A. 55:19-90 to further the rehabilitation and reuse of the properties consistent with municipal plans and objectives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee seeks to enter into an agreement with Gary F. Gardner, Inc. pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Abandoned Residential Property Rehabilitation Agreement attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey that Gary F. Gardner, Inc. is hereby designated as a qualified rehabilitation entity for the purpose of exercising the Township's rights relating to the repair, maintenance and/or safeguard of the vacant and abandoned residential properties.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Abandoned Residential Property Rehabilitation Agreement attached hereto.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Harrison, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey held on October 3, 2016.

**TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON**

**BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
DON HEIM, DEPUTY MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**DIANE L. MALLOY, Municipal Clerk**

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE</b>				
<b>COMMITTEE MEMBER</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Clowney				
Diggons				
Heim				
Williams				

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above resolution is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Harrison, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held by the same on October 3, 2016 in the Harrison Township Municipal Building, 114 Bridgeton Pike, Mullica Hill, New Jersey 08062.

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DIANE L. MALLOY  
Municipal Clerk