

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PRESENT SHIELDALLOY SUPERFUND REMEDIATION PLAN AND DEMANDING THE CONTAMINATION AT BURNT MILL POND PARK CAUSED BY SHIELDALLOY BE INCLUDED IN THE REMEDIATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation (SMC) is a Superfund site as a result of a determination made by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJ DEP) that the corporation has caused extensive contamination in Newfield and Vineland New Jersey, which contamination included arsenic, heavy metals and other carcinogens all far exceeding the New Jersey Surface Water Quality Standards and

WHEREAS, the contamination from SMC was found in the Hudson Branch Stream which ultimately drained into the Burnt Mill Pond and therefore testing was performed at Burnt Mill Pond, which also revealed concentrations of metals in surface water samples as well as sediment which included chromium, copper, manganese, mercury, and nickel, all far exceeding the New Jersey Surface Water Quality Standards and New Jersey Non-Residential Direct Contact Soil Remediation Standards; and

WHEREAS, Burnt Mill Pond is a public park funded by the NJ DEP for the purpose of providing recreation to the residents of New Jersey in the form of boating, fishing and other water sports, which the City is in the process of renovating at a cost of over \$1 million to provide continued recreational opportunities to its residents in the residents of the State of New Jersey and

WHEREAS, the EPA announced a proposed plan for remediation of the Shieldalloy Superfund site, and while the EPA and NJ DEP both acknowledge that the Burnt Mill Pond has been polluted by the Shield alloy Corporation and that Burnt Mill Pond is a public park, partially funded by the NJ DEP, the remediation plan proposed by the EPA and NJ DEP omits any cleanup of the contamination within the Burnt Mill Pond despite the knowledge of its existence and its causation; and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged that a public park is required to be remediated to residential standards and that this obligation is being ignored, making the Burnt Mill Pond Park in violation of NJ DEP standards and unsafe for its intended use; and

WHEREAS, the plan for the remediation of the Shield Alloy Superfund site as proposed by the EPA and NJ DEP, is unacceptable to the residents of the City of Vineland as it will ignore the obligations of those parties causing the contamination to clean up and remediate, all to the detriment of the residents of the City of Vineland, State of New Jersey, and those persons utilizing the Burnt Mill Pond Park,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland that the Mayor and Council of the City of Vineland oppose any plan for the remediation of Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation , which does not include the remediation of Burnt Mill Pond and any surrounding areas and urge the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to require, as part of their proposed plan, the complete remediation of any contamination found in the water, sediment and soils of Burnt Mill Pond.

CITY OF VINELAND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the proper representative of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, as well as our elected state and federal officials urging that they consider the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the city of Vineland and State of New Jersey in assuring that the proposed plan include the remediation of Burnt Mill Pond Park.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk