RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - <u>75</u>

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A ROOTS FOR RIVERS REFORESTATION GRANT THROUGH SUSTAINABLE JERSEY.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland is a municipally certified member of Sustainable Jersey, a nonprofit organization that provides tools, training and financial incentives to support communities that pursue sustainability programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland was recently awarded a Roots for Rivers grant through Sustainable Jersey in the amount of \$15,210.00; and

WHEREAS, the grant will provide for the planting of trees and shrubs along the riparian buffers of the Maurice River and Blackwater Branch in Vineland:

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the watershed, wildlife habitat and overall environmental health of the targeted area will benefit greatly by the reforestation goals of the grant; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching of funds requirements for the City of Vineland, and the in-kind contributions will be provided by the American Littoral Society and volunteers from the Vineland Environmental Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is considered in the best interest of the City of Vineland to accept this muchneeded grant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Vineland that the Roots for Rivers Reforestation grant in the amount of \$15,210 is hereby accepted, and the submission of the necessary items to accept and begin work on the grant is hereby approved and directed.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk