

**RESOLUTION 4:19 – 5 OF 2021**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE NYSDEC REGARDING EVALUATIONS OF IMPACT ON NYCDEP RELEASES TO THE LOWER ESOPUS CREEK**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hyde Park relies on the Hudson River to supply safe and potable drinking water to its thousands of residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hyde Park previously joined the Hudson 7, a coalition of regional municipalities whose purpose is to ensure the continued availability of safe and potable drinking water; and

WHEREAS, Riverkeeper has advised the Town of Hyde Park and other municipalities regarding this serious concern about New York City's discharge of turbid water from the Ashokan Reservoir into the lower Esopus Creek, which in turn flows into the Hudson River, and it has provided the Town with a sample resolution, by which the Town could use to express to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("DEC") the critical importance of DEC carefully reviewing New York City's request for a SPDES permit to allow discharges of turbid water, and to request environmental impacts from the proposed discharges to be avoided or minimized to the greatest extent practicable, through the consideration and implementation of alternative processes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hyde Park Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to send a letter to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regarding evaluations of impact on NYCEP releases to the lower Esopus Creek.

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**ROLL CALL VOTE BY TOWN CLERK**

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| Councilman Krupnick  | _____ |
| Councilman Ray       | _____ |
| Councilman Woodcock  | _____ |
| Councilman Schneider | _____ |
| Supervisor Rohr      | _____ |