Resolution #2008-R-10

“A RESOLUTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMDEN SHOWING UNITY AGAINST MUNICIPALITIES LOSING THE REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAXES.”

WHEREAS, at the Delaware League of Local Governments meeting on April 24, 2008 there was a discussion concerning the possibility of eliminating real estate transfer taxes from all Municipalities and Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden, as do other small Towns in the State of Delaware, depend on the real estate transfer taxes to operate their towns, pay their bills and employees. The State of Delaware in the year 2000 established current legislature for all municipalities and counties of the State of Delaware receive one and half (1½) percent of the three (3%) percent of the total tax collected; and

WHEREAS, if the Municipalities and Counties lose their real estate transfer taxes on the sale of homes within their incorporated limits, they will no longer be able to provide the necessary services required by our citizens and would become a far bigger burden on the State of Delaware. Any changes to the current percentage would devastate the Town of Camden’s budget which would require the Mayor and Council to take drastic steps to reduce revenue’s for the Town of Camden’s operating budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Camden calls on other governing bodies and municipalities throughout the State of Delaware to stand united AGAINST taking away real estate transfer taxes, write your senators and representatives and let your voice be heard.

Town Council Members voting:

Robert A. Mooney, Mayor
James O. Plumley, III, Vice Mayor
Mark Babbitt, Councilman
Kenneth Fuchs, Councilman
Richard Snyder, Councilman

Attested:

Donald H. Mulrine, Jr., Town Manager

ADOPTED: May 5, 2008