



City of Newark

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Resolution

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Type: Resolution

Status: Adopted

Dept/ Agency: Offices of Municipal Council/City Clerk

Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Opposition of the Russian Federation's invasion of the Republic of Ukraine

Purpose: To strongly urge the suspension of all business licenses for all Lukoil gasoline stations and associated on-site businesses in the City of Newark in support and solidarity with the sovereign Republic of Ukraine against the Russian Federation's invasion.

Sponsor: Council Member, Anibal Ramos, Jr.

Additional Information:

WHEREAS, the Republic of Ukraine ("Ukraine") is a sovereign, democratic nation containing its own distinct history, language and culture; and

WHEREAS, after the collapse of the former Soviet Union, the Ukrainian people elected to become a sovereign, independent democracy with its own democratically-elected government; and

WHEREAS, the recent aggression and invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation is a grave threat to international peace and stability and an affront to the security, safety and self-determination of the people of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of all democratic nations to stand for the rights of other free, democratic societies and their right to exist as sovereign nations;

WHEREAS, the declaration of the Russian Federation that Ukraine does not have the right to exist as a sovereign nation is in direct contravention of all internationally-recognized laws, norms and standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark (the "City") recognizes the right of all people to freely form and elect their own independent governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark recognizes the right of Ukraine and all sovereign societies to determine their own destinies, administer their own policies and manage their own affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark wishes to stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine and their right to self-determination; and

WHEREAS, Lukoil North America ("Lukoil") is a subsidiary of PJSC Lukoil, a Russian oil and gas company; and

WHEREAS, the operation of Lukoil and its franchisees in Newark serves to provide economic support to the Russian Federation in its efforts to overthrow the independent, elected government of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, Section 8:20-2 of the Newark Municipal Code requires a license to operate a retail gasoline service station and associated on-site businesses in Newark; and

WHEREAS, Section 8:37-2 of the Newark Municipal Code requires a license to operate a convenience store in Newark, which includes locations on the site of a gasoline station; and

WHEREAS, the suspension of all business licenses in the City for Lukoil and affiliated on-site business will send a strong message that the City of Newark stands against the Russian invasion and in solidarity with the people and democratically-elected government of Ukraine.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Municipal Council strongly urges that all existing business licenses for all Lukoil gasoline service stations and associated on-site businesses in the City of Newark be suspended until further action by the City.
2. The Business Administrator and/or his designee, the Manager of the Division of Tax Abatement and Special Tax are urged to undertake all steps necessary to effectuate the suspension of all Lukoil business licenses and associated on-site business licenses in the City.
3. All license suspensions shall be valid and in effect until further notice.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.
5. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, the NJ League of Municipalities, the National League of Cities and the National Association of Counties.

STATEMENT

This Resolution strongly urges the suspension of all business licenses for all Lukoil gasoline stations and associated on-site businesses in the City of Newark in support and solidarity with the sovereign Republic of Ukraine against the Russian Federation's invasion.

Approval History

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History of Legislative File

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1	Municipal Council	03/02/2022	Adopted				Pass
Action Text: A motion was made by the Council of the Whole that this item be Adopted. The motion was adopted by the following votes:							
Mover:	Anibal Ramos, Jr.	Yes: 6 - C. Lawrence Crump, Carlos Gonzalez, John Sharpe James, LaMonica McIver, Anibal Ramos Jr. and Luis Quintana Absent: 3 - Augusto Amador, Joseph McCallum Jr. and Eddie Osborne					6-3

Certified By



Kenneth Louis, City Clerk

CERTIFIED TO BY ME THIS
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