

**BOROUGH OF RED BANK  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH  
RESOLUTION NO. 22-121**

**AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A PARENT'S BILL OF RIGHTS CONCERNING THE PROTECTION  
AND EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN**

**WHEREAS**, recent guidelines provided by the New Jersey Department of Education (the "Department of Education"), legislation enacted by the New Jersey Legislature and signed into law by Governor Murphy, and the associated sample curricula regarding the teaching of a highly sensitive curricula to our young children, particularly grades K-2 is both disturbing and concerning to the parents and citizens here in the Borough of Red Bank in Monmouth County and throughout the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Borough Council have been contacted by Borough residents related to this sensitive issue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Education's guidelines were promulgated, and the legislation was passed and signed into law in 2020 and 2021, as applicable, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic when New Jersey residents were sheltering in place and there was not adequate opportunity for public comment and parents did not have any input into this disturbing and highly sensitive curricula that will be taught to our young children; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Borough of Red Bank is hereby calling on Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Legislature and the Department of Education to return the decisions to local School Boards regarding such highly sensitive curricula for our young children; and

**WHEREAS**, the County also desires to work with our parents, community leaders and professionals to develop the framework for a Parent's Bill of Rights to use as a model for our local school district, that will, among other things, protect our children, notify our parents of the curricula being taught to their children in our schools and allow them to make their own decisions regarding their child's education and exposure to sensitive information; and

**WHEREAS**, the public should have an opportunity to be heard on this issue of curricula being taught to grades K-2 which so significantly impacts the family unit.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank in the County of Monmouth as follows:

1. We hereby demand that Governor Murphy, the New Jersey State Legislature and the Department of Education ban such highly sensitive curricula for our young children that was developed out of the aforesaid guidelines, legislation and sample curricula; and
2. The Administrator is directed to schedule a public forum at a convenient location as soon as possible to afford borough residents an opportunity to be heard related to deciding what young children should be taught in schools; and
3. The Borough of Red Bank supports the authorization of the County Commissioner Director, the County Administrator and County Counsel each having been authorized and directed to work with our parents, community leaders and professionals to develop the framework for a Parent's Bill of Rights to use as a model for our County schools, as well as for local school districts, that will, among other things, protect our children, notify parents of the curricula being taught to their children in our schools and allow them to make their own decisions regarding their child's education and exposure to sensitive information; and
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward this resolution to Governor Murphy; the New Jersey Legislature; the Department of Education; the County Superintendent of Schools; the local School Board and private and charter schools; New Jersey League of Municipalities; all County Boards of County Commissioners; the Mayor and Council of all towns within the County of Monmouth and the New Jersey State Board of Education.

	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman Mirandi						
Councilwoman Sturdivant						
Councilwoman Triggiano						
Councilman Ballard						
Councilman Zipprich						
Councilwoman Horgan						
Mayor Menna						
<b>ON CONSENT AGENDA</b>	Yes _	No _				

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Red Bank, In the County of Monmouth at a Meeting held on May 11, 2022.

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 Laura Reinertsen, Borough Clerk