MIDDLESEX COUNTY
FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

PETITION FOR CREATION OF A MIDDLESEX COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AREA (ADA)

The undersigned landowner(s) hereby present(s) this PETITION for the creation of an Agricultural Development Area to the Middlesex County Agriculture Development Board and requests that the Board review the contents thereof for conformance with the eligibility criteria established by the Board in accordance with N.J.S.A. 4:1C-15(f) and 4:1C-16(a) et seq., PL 1983 C. 32 and N.J.A.C. 2:76-1.1 et seq.

Upon a finding by the County Agriculture Development Board that such criteria have been met, the Board will notify the State Agriculture Development Committee. The Committee may then certify the petitioning property as an Agricultural Development Area and shall amend the pertinent records and maps to reflect this designation.

In support of this PETITION, each of the undersigned landowner(s) represent(s) that:

1. He/She or both are the present recorded owners of the title to the land identified in the attached PETITION.

2. The land meets the following eligibility criteria established by the Middlesex County Agriculture Development Board:

   a. The land receives farmland assessment or is eligible for farmland assessment;

   b. The land must encompass productive agricultural lands which are currently in production or having a strong potential for future production in agriculture;

   c. Agriculture must be a permitted use under current municipal zoning, or must be permitted as a non-conforming use;

   d. The land must be reasonably free of suburban and/or conflicting commercial development;

   e. The land must not include greater than 90% of the County’s agricultural land mass;

   f. Soils must include a predominance of Prime Farmland and/or Soils of Statewide Importance;

   g. The property must have a minimum contiguous acreage of 10 acre or more.

3. All information provided therein is true and correct.
Name(s) of Petitioner(s):  
(Include all owners of record) 
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Mailing Address of Petitioner(s):
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Telephone Number:  ______________________________________________________

Location of Farmland:  
Block, Lot  ______________________________________________________________
Address  _______________________________________________________________

Deed Reference:  
Recorded in:  ____________________________________________________________
County:  _________________________________________________________________
Municipality:  ____________________________________________________________
Book:  _________________________________________________________________
Page:  ________________________________________________________________
Area: Acreage (total) ____________________________________________

Land Use: ______________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
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Acres of: Cropland ________________________________________________
Woodland _________________________________________________________
Pasture __________________________________________________________
Orchard __________________________________________________________
Nursery __________________________________________________________
Other _____________________________________________________________

The following documents must be included in the petition:

1. Deed
2. Tax map identifying the boundaries of the property
3. Application for Farmland Assessment

The landowner(s) understand(s) that this PETITION is only preliminary in nature and is subject of final
determination by the Middlesex County Agriculture Development Board and the State Agriculture
Development Committee.

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Signature of Landowner                Date  Signature of Landowner               Date

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Landowner’s Name (Please print)  Landowner’s Name (Please print)

Notary: _______________________________  Notary: ____________________________