

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CEREMONIALLY RENAMING A CERTAIN SECTION OF NORTH MAIN AND NORTH BROAD STREETS IN HONOR OF SHERIFF JAMES MCDONALD, SR.

WHEREAS, the Honorable James McDonald, Sr., a lifelong resident of Warren County, born and raised in Hackettstown, has called the Town of Phillipsburg his home since 1979; and

WHEREAS, James McDonald, Sr. began his law enforcement career in 1984 as a Dispatcher and Class II Officer in the Borough of Washington, eventually accepting a full time permanent position with neighboring Washington Township; and

WHEREAS, James McDonald, Sr., a graduate of the West Point Command and Leadership Academy, has repeatedly distinguished himself by continually pursuing professional development opportunities and achieving numerous awards including becoming a PTC Certified Police Training Instructor in Use of Force, Domestic Violence, and Vehicle Pursuit, teaching safety programs in our schools including D. A. R. E., conducting classes for both the Citizens Police Academy and the Junior Police Academy; and

WHEREAS, during his career, James McDonald, Sr. received several commendations including four Life Saving Medals, the Achievement Award for Drug and DUI Enforcement, Unit Citation , and the Chiefs Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, James McDonald, Sr. has additionally received the respect and recognition of his peers having served for six years as the President of the Warren County PBA, the Chief of Police of the Township of Washington, President of the Warren County Police Chief's Association, and finally, three terms as Warren County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, throughout those years, James McDonald, Sr. committed himself and the organizations he led to a high standard of excellence with regard to training and equipment, including the implementation of rapid deployment to schools in cases of an active shooter, and emergency plans for schools, which was adopted by the Warren County Prosecutors Office for all departments; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 James McDonald, Sr. was instrumental in creating shared service agreements for police services between the Township of Washington, the Borough of Washington and the Township of Oxford; and .

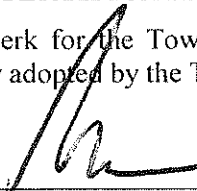
WHEREAS, in 2016 James McDonald, Sr. was elected to his first term as Warren County Sheriff, immediately undertaking numerous initiatives to modernize and optimize the operations of the Sheriff's Office including training all court personnel in active shooter response, updating officers equipment, installation of a building wide alarm and public address system, and conducting fraud awareness programs for seniors and senior and child I.D.s for county residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Phillipsburg, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey, that it is truly fitting to honor James McDonald, Sr. with a ceremonial naming of that section of North Main and North Broad Streets between Union Square and Third Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that signage bearing James McDonald Senior's name commensurate with this honor be produced and deployed to the appropriate locations enumerated in the foregoing.

CERTIFICATION

I, Matthew C. Hall, Acting Municipal Clerk for the Town of Phillipsburg, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Council at their May 22nd, 2024 meeting.



Matthew C. Hall, MPA
Acting Municipal Clerk