



*Township of Washington, Warren County,*

*State of New Jersey      Established 1849*

**PROCLAMATION**  
**RECOGNIZING THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER**  
**AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE RETIRING**  
**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CHIEF OF POLICE**  
**James J. McDonald Sr.**

WHEREAS, James "Jim" J. McDonald Sr., retiring Chief of Police of the Township of Washington has served in law enforcement for the last 30 years and is well respected by fellow law enforcement officers, civilian employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, his career began in Washington Borough in 1985 as a full-time provisional officer and he was hired as a patrolman in Washington Township in 1986 and promoted to Chief in November of 1996; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as Chief, the Township of Washington has entered into Shared Services Agreements with the Borough of Washington and Oxford Township to provide police services which has resulted in cost savings and increased efficiency to each municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Police Department has become a model for other law enforcement agencies by being the first department in the county to be trained in Response to the Active Shooter, establishing lock-down and shelter-in-place procedures in our schools, and the deployment of police officers, known as School Resource Officers, in our schools; and

WHEREAS, not only has Jim initiated such proactive measures to address the modern day challenges of the law enforcement community, he, along with other members of his department, have mentored and trained other agencies throughout the county striving to be proactive in all areas of effective policing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Robert Klingel, on behalf of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, both past and present, hereby recognize retiring Chief James J. McDonald Sr. for his legacy of service in law enforcement to the Township of Washington and surrounding communities, expressing their deepest appreciation for his dedication and commitment to the citizens of the Township of Washington and it's Police Department and extend to Jim and his family our best wishes for many years of happiness in the future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Proclamation, suitably engrossed, be given to James J. McDonald Sr. retiring Chief of Police of the Township of Washington, Warren County New Jersey.

*Proclaimed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015*

Mayor Robert J. Klingel, Washington Township

ATTEST:

Township Clerk