



Township of Washington, Warren County,

State of New Jersey Established 1849

PROCLAMATION HONORING WALTER W. "BILL" COOPER

WHEREAS, Walter "Bill" Cooper is retiring from Fire Official and Fire Inspector and is being awarded this recognition as we deeply appreciate the important contributions that certain individuals make during long and distinguished careers in public and private service; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore only fitting that we recognize Bill Cooper for his loyal and dedicated service in the Township of Washington and surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, as a resident of Washington Township for over 77 years his service in both public and private life has been given willingly and cheerfully, and he has contributed immeasurably to the success of community activities and to the betterment of the quality of life for many of his fellow citizens and coworkers; and

WHEREAS, Bill Cooper has performed many endeavors to benefit this community, including serving on the Washington Township Committee in the late 60's and early 70's, serving on the Washington Township Planning Board for 14 plus years, coaching basketball and being a honorable member of the Washington Township Fire Department for over 50 years, part of which he served in the capacity of the Fire Chief. Furthermore during much of this time Bill owned and operated a successful business, along with his brother Vernon, **Coopers Service Station** in the Borough of Washington for over 30 years and with the love and encouragement of his fine family, he has been a powerful influence for good in our community; and

WHEREAS, over his years of employment for the Township of Washington and the Fire District as the Fire Official and Fire Inspector he has displayed the highest example of character, ethics, morals and unselfish service in which he has earned the admiration of those with whom he has come into contact, and the affection of his fellow public servants who are proud to call him "friend". Furthermore, Bill Cooper is a model for what a good, loving caregiver is.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that we, along with the employees of Washington Township and the community at large, hereby expresses their utmost appreciation for the many years of dedicated service, and extend to Bill, his spouse Joyce, his son Walter, his daughter Sandy and their families our best wishes for many years of happiness in the future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Administrator be directed to send a copy of this proclamation to Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Cooper and hereby request for one copy to be framed and perpetually hung in the Brass Castle Fire House in his honor.

Proclaimed this 19th day of November, 2012



Mayor Michael A. Kovacs, Washington Township

ATTEST:


Township Clerk