



BOROUGH OF ORADELL

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month May 2021

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month seeks to honor and recognize the contributions of residents from Asia, India, and the Pacific Islands; and,

WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have a rich heritage thousands of years old; and

WHEREAS, the month of May was chosen to commemorate the first Japanese immigration to the United States in May 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869, completed by a majority of Chinese immigrant workers; and

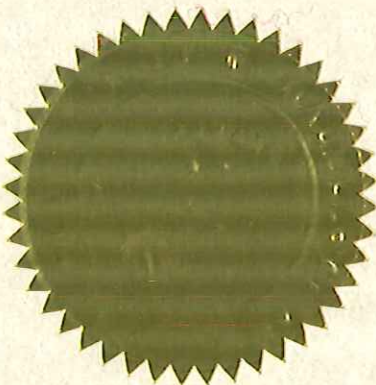
WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have lived and worked in New Jersey for many years, and have greatly contributed to our state's rich history, culture, economy, and public service; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and acknowledge racially motivated harassment and hate crimes against the Asian American and Pacific Islanders Community is at an all-time high, and we commit to bringing awareness to this very important issue; and,

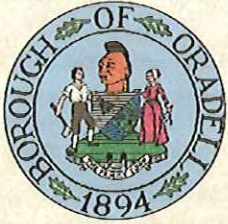
WHEREAS, we celebrate the importance of inclusion and building a brighter future for all our residents by recognizing the contributions and accomplishments of Asian American and Pacific Islanders; and,

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month allows us to appreciate and celebrate the diversity and character of our residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Dianne Camelo Didio of the Borough of Oradell declares May 2021 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.



Dianne Camelo Didio, Mayor
May 25, 2021



Borough of Oradell Proclamation



WHEREAS, in 1962, President John F Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as National Police Memorial Week; and

WHEREAS, our law enforcement officers are the guardians of life and property; defenders of the individual right to be free; warriors in the battle against crime; and are dedicated to the preservation of life and property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oradell honors the valor, service and dedication of all Police Officers, and publicly salutes the services of each and every one of our own Oradell Police Officers;

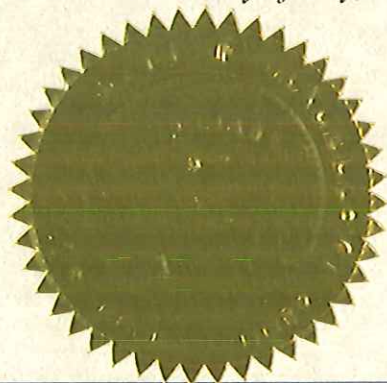
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and Council do hereby urge our citizens to join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their communities, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that we, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oradell do hereby proclaim May 9-15, 2021 as

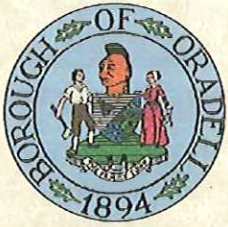
“POLICE WEEK”

in the borough of Oradell and honor those law enforcement officers who through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in services to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2021



Dianne Camelo Didio, Mayor



Borough of Oradell Proclamation

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WHEREAS, in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind, and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, trees – wherever they are planted – are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

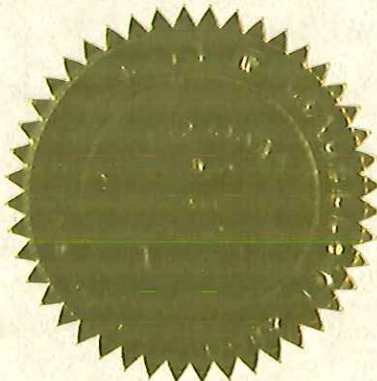
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Mayor Dianne Didio, Mayor of the Borough of Oradell, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2021 as

“ARBOR DAY”

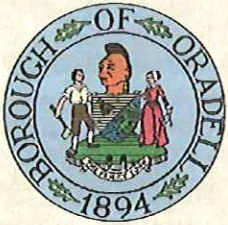
In the Borough of Oradell, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations

Dated this 25th day of May, 2021



Dianne Camelo Didio, Mayor



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WHEREAS, public works services in our community that are an integral part of the lives of our citizens and enhance the daily quality of their lives; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments are responsible for building, rebuilding, operating and maintain the transportation, parks, public buildings and other structures and facilities essential to serving our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the support of understanding and informed citizens is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewer, streets and parks and public buildings; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by people's attitudes and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and

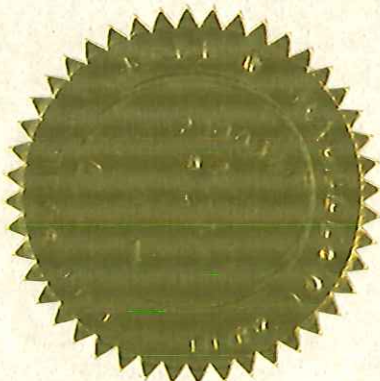
WHEREAS, the year 2021 marks the 61st annual National Public Works Week.

NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oradell would like to recognize and proclaim May 16 – 22, 2021 as,

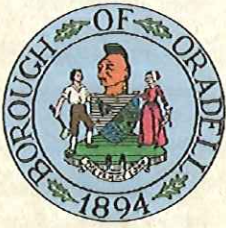
“NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK”

and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in supporting public works and to recognize the contributions that public works personnel make to provide the infrastructure required to sustain the comfort, health, safety and well-being of our community.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2021



Dianne Camelo Didio, Mayor



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WHEREAS, the struggle for dignity and equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) people are reflected in the tireless dedication of advocates and allies who strive to forge a more inclusive society; and

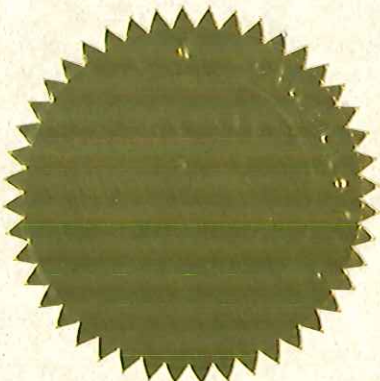
WHEREAS, President Bill Clinton, on June 2, 2000, declared June "Gay & Lesbian Pride Month" to commemorate the June 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Lower Manhattan and on June 1, 2019, President Barack Obama expanded the commemoration further by declaring June to be Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month; and

WHEREAS, June 28, 2020 marks the fifty first anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising which broke out following a police raid on the Stonewall Inn, targeting LGBTQ patrons and other marginalized people, in violation of their civil rights, leading to the birth of the "Gay Rights Movement"; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ Americans, including those who live in our local communities, face discrimination simply for being who they are and for who they love and there remains much work to do to extend the promise of our country to every person; and

WHEREAS, the landmark Supreme Court decision of 2015 guaranteeing marriage equality in all 50 States was a historic victory for LGBTQ Americans and continues to affirm our belief that we are all more free when we are treated as equals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Dianne C. Didio, Mayor of The Borough of Oradell on this 25th day of May, 2021 hereby proclaims June 2021 as The Borough of Oradell's third annual Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Pride Month; and encourages all community residents to eliminate prejudice wherever it exists and to celebrate our great diversity by taking part in community events throughout June focus on and celebrate our LGBTQ neighbors.



Dianne C. Didio, Mayor

May 25, 2021



BOROUGH OF ORADELL

PROCLAMATION

DECLARING THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE TO BE NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

This proclamation declares the first Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the Borough of Oradell to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to declare that we as a country must do more to reduce gun violence.

WHEREAS, every day, more than 100 Americans are killed by gun violence, alongside more than 230 who are shot and wounded, and on average there are more than 13,000-gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in other high-income countries; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has 465- gun deaths every year, with a rate of 5.3 deaths per 100,000 people. New Jersey has the 45th highest rate of gun deaths in the US; and

WHEREAS, gun homicides and assaults are concentrated in cities, with more than half of all firearm related gun deaths in the nation occurring in 127 cities; and

WHEREAS, cities across the nation, including Oradell, are working to end the senseless violence with evidence-based solutions; and

WHEREAS, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is mayors' highest responsibility; and

WHEREAS, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from people with dangerous histories; and

WHEREAS, mayors and law enforcement officers know their communities best, are the most familiar with local criminal activity and how to address it, and are best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe; and

WHEREAS, gun violence prevention is more important than ever as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to exacerbate gun violence after more than a year of increased gun sales, increased calls to suicide and domestic violence hotlines, and an increase in city gun violence;

WHEREAS, in January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton was tragically shot and killed at age 15; and on June 4, 2021 to recognize the 24th birthday of Hadiya Pendleton (born: June 2, 1997), people across the United States will recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Day and wear orange in tribute to -

- (1) Hadiya Pendleton and other victims of gun violence; and
- (2) the loved ones of those victims; and

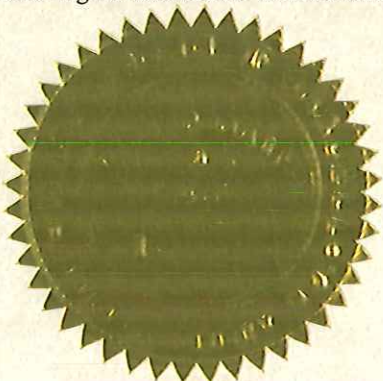
WHEREAS, the idea was inspired by a group of Hadiya's friends, who asked their classmates to commemorate her life by wearing orange; they chose this color because hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods and orange is a color that symbolizes the value of human life; and

WHEREAS, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to wear orange on June 4th, the first Friday in June in 2021, to help raise awareness about gun violence; and

WHEREAS, by wearing orange on June 4, 2021 Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Dianne Didio, of the Borough of Oradell declares the first Friday in June, June 4, 2021, to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day. I encourage all citizens to support their local communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.



Dianne Camelo Didio, Mayor
May 25, 2021