

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-146**

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES, VETERAN HIRING GOALS IN THE MUNICIPAL WORKFORCE, AND RECOGNIZING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THOSE RESIDENTS IN THE CIVIC AFFAIRS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown ("Middletown") is home to numerous veterans of the United States Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS**, Middletown has always sought to recognize and promote Veterans within our community, and

**WHEREAS**, Middletown now wishes to promote Veteran owned business enterprises, strive for the hiring of veterans in the municipal workforce and wishes to recognize the military service of our residents on an annual basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined that, to the extent permitted by applicable law, that it is in the best interest of Middletown to encourage the participation of veterans in the business of Middletown, its workforce and the civic affairs of our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that, to the extent permitted by applicable law, Middletown:

1. Will make a good faith effort in the hiring of municipal employees, to achieve a goal of a minimum of five percent its workforce to have served in the United States military.
2. Will continue to create designated parking spaces for veterans on Middletown properties.
3. Will make a good faith effort to award contracts to veteran-owned businesses registered with the State of New Jersey.
4. Will create affordable housing units deemed solely for the honorable men and women who have served our nation.
5. Will promote awareness of state fee exemption for local metered parking.
6. Will continue to support and appoint volunteers to the Middletown Veterans Affairs Committee.
7. Will promote and recognize veterans on the established Heroes Wall located in Town Hall.

8. Will continue to pay tribute to Middletown's fallen heroes who were killed in action through our town-wide Veterans Commemorative Street Sign Program.
9. Will at least one annual public celebration honoring the service of veterans on Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and/or the anniversary of September 11, 2001.
10. Will annually recognize the service of a resident of the community who has served in the military.
11. Will post a copy of this Resolution on Middletown's website and ensure that copies are made available to any veterans service organizations known to exist within the community.

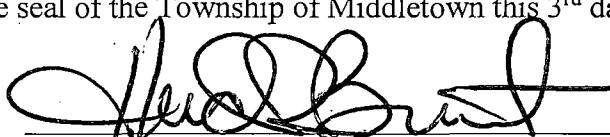
**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

Committee Member	Approved	Opposed	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Perry	X			
R. Clarke	X			
R. Hibell	X			
K. Settembrino	X			
P. Snell	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Heidi R Brunt, Township Clerk of the Township of Middletown, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Middletown Township Committee at their meeting held May 3, 2021.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the Township of Middletown this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2021:



Heidi R Brunt, Township Clerk