Resolution 2020-128

BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN COUNTY OF MERCER STATE OF NEW JERSEY

SUPPORTING EQUALITY OF ALL CITIZENS

WHEREAS, The Borough of Hightstown is a multiethnic community and believes that mutual understanding and respect develops a healthier, safer, and caring community; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough takes great effort to work to ensure that all residents have the opportunity to be involved and heard to best represent our community; and

WHEREAS, recent demonstrations and protests across America, sparked by the video of the tragic death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis, Minnesota police officers, challenge public safety organizations and elected leadership across the country to respond honestly and effectively as concerns are raised by residents within our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Hightstown Borough Police Department is fortunate to have a positive relationship with our residents and conduct themselves with the utmost professionalism and respect for our community; and

WHEREAS, the Hightstown Borough Police Department supports the New Jersey Attorney General's "Excellence in Policing Initiative", which will provide a model in strengthening accountability and trust between law enforcement and their communities while promoting the culture of professionalism and accountability within police agencies; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough remains committed to the morally, ethically and lawfully fair and just treatment of all Borough residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown will promote safety, a sense of security and equal protection of constitutional rights, leading by example through equitable treatment of all by Borough officials and departments.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting held on June 15, 2020.

Margaret Riggio Deputy Borough Clerk