

WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEM #4 – PROCLAMATIONS

- **Director Burry** presented a Proclamation to **Administrator Teri O'Connor** honoring County employees and proclaiming April as County Government month. Upon receiving the Proclamation, the Administrator thanked all the County employees for their hard work and contributions which have made Monmouth County a desirable place to live. **Freeholder Curley** commented that he had a number of good government items that would be ongoing this month and listed several.



MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF
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County Government Month - April 2010

WHEREAS, County Government, as we know it, gradually came into being after the State Legislature in 1798, established the Board of Chosen Freeholders as the legislative and administrative body of county government in New Jersey resulting in the 21 counties of New Jersey serving as a middle level of government between the state and federal governments and the local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, first celebrated in 1991, National County Government Week was created by NACo to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's 3,068 counties and more than 300 million residents; and

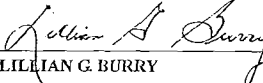
WHEREAS, in regional matters Monmouth County Government is responsible for roads, libraries, health and human services, transportation, water supply, solid waste management, historical preservation, law enforcement, land records, elections and the courts; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 the theme of County Government Month is Healthy Counties, and with the help of clinics, local health departments, long-term care facilities, mental health services and substance abuse programs, Monmouth County Government is delivering much needed services to the residents of our community; and

WHEREAS, on this day, in recognition of the leadership offered, the innovation, the numerous challenges faced, and the invaluable services provided by our nation's counties, the Board of Chosen Freeholders joins with the New Jersey Association of Counties in taking special note of the many outstanding contributions provided by our county governments in America.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby proclaims the entire Month of April 2010 to be known as:


"County Government Month"


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- **Director Burry** presented a Proclamation to **Sheriff Shaun Golden** and a number of employees who are 911 Telecommunicators in recognition of their activity. **Sheriff Golden** gave an overview of 911 operations and the role of the Telecommunications unit play in handling emergencies in Monmouth County.

Proclamation



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National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

WHEREAS, in 1991, Congress proclaimed the second week in April as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, recognizing the crucial role played by public safety telecommunications personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Telecommunicators that staff the Monmouth County 9-1-1 Communications Center knows too well that emergencies can occur at anytime that require police, fire or emergency medical services to be swiftly dispatched; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have when an emergency occurs, and prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel, and by monitoring their activities by radio, they are both providing the emergency personnel information and insuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated men and women of the Monmouth County 9-1-1 Communications Center play a critical role in saving lives while exhibiting compassion, understanding and professionalism 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Chosen Freeholders proclaim the week of April 11-17, 2010 as:

"National Public Safety Telecommunications Week"

in the County of Monmouth, and commend all of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep the citizens of our community safe.

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- **Freeholder Mallet** presented a Proclamation in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month to William VanDrowack who is a member of DYFS. Mr. VanDrowack discussed the number of cases in the state, and currently Monmouth County is one of the highest areas, ranking 7th and DYFS handles over 4000 calls a year from Monmouth County.

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Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, in a country blessed with liberty and prosperity every child is entitled to develop his or her full potential, however each day in the United States of America far too many children suffer the horrors of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, families, communities and the child welfare system have specific responsibilities in keeping children safe, but society in general also shares in the responsibility for promoting healthy human growth and development; and


WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey and the Department of Children and Families offer standards for its child abuse and neglect prevention programs based on the recognition that efforts are most successful when services and supports embody a strength-based, family support approach that builds on assets and positive characteristics of families and their environment; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Social Services further recognizes that the Department of Children and Families is committed to child abuse prevention and intervention programs as well as the resources and technical assistance needed to maintain a network of public/private partnerships; and

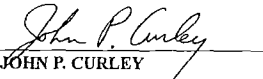
WHEREAS, during Child Abuse Prevention Month, personnel from law enforcement, medical services, the courts, the media, and private and public agencies will join forces to promote awareness of child abuse prevention programs available in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Chosen Freeholders praises the work of all our citizens who work devotedly and unselfishly to keep children from harm's way, and proclaims the month of April 2010, as:

"Child Abuse Prevention Month"
in the County of Monmouth.


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- Other Proclamations given out of house include one by **Freeholder Mallet** designating Parkinson's Disease Month

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Parkinson Disease Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Parkinson's Disease is clinically characterized by various symptoms, which include the progressive decrease in spontaneous movement, difficulty in gait, postural instability, rigidity, inflexibility, and uncontrollable tremor; and

WHEREAS, as good health is an essential component of a long, productive and fulfilling life, we recognize the importance of raising public awareness of Parkinson's Disease, a devastating and physically debilitating illness that affects the central nervous system and the great need to pursue all possible avenues that might lead to a cure; and

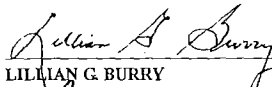
WHEREAS, today, because of a better understanding, newer therapies and treatments, and progress in medical research, many people suffering from Parkinson Disease are living longer and exhibiting fewer severe symptoms, with a hope that advancements will lead to a cure; and

WHEREAS, the American Parkinson Disease Association, Inc., seeks to find the cure for this illness through research, patient and family services, education and sponsorship of 66 Chapters, 45 Information and Referral Centers and 600 support groups throughout the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders joins with the American Parkinson Disease Association to commend the dedication of persons involved in the medical care and quality of life management of individuals suffering from Parkinson's Disease, and recognize the need to continue pursuing all possible avenues that might lead to a cure, and proclaim April 2010 to be know as:

"Parkinson Disease Awareness Month"

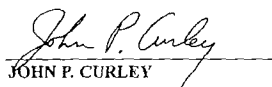
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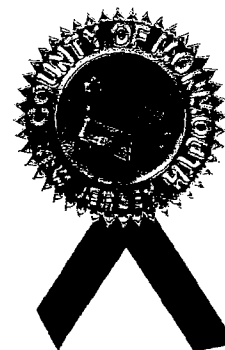

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- Director Burry gave a Proclamation honoring Tim Smith on the occasion of his retirement

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Honoring Timothy J. Smith

WHEREAS, in 1969, Timothy J. Smith joined the Oakhurst Independent Hose Co. No. 1, in the Township of Ocean Fire District 1, as a firefighter, and served as a Fire Officer 3 at the rank of Chief from 1977 to 1983; and

WHEREAS, Tim Smith is a New Jersey State Certified Fire Official, Fire Inspector, and Fire Instructor Level II, and throughout the years has received many awards which include the Monmouth County Fire Service Administrative Medal, October 1986, and the Monmouth County Fire Prevention Inspector of the Year, October 1997; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 Tim Smith joined the Monmouth County Fire Marshal's Office, and in 1991 was elevated to the position of Fire Marshal, therefore, responsible for its general administration and operations and the Investigation and Inspection Divisions of the Monmouth County Fire Training Academy in Howell Township; and

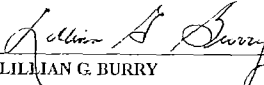
WHEREAS, during the last 28 years, Tim Smith has been responsible for coordinating the needs of local fire departments, including the training of nearly 11,000 firefighters per year; and

WHEREAS, as a 3rd generation firefighter, Tim Smith has continually expressed a first hand understanding of how essential sharing services, staffing and equipment is to firefighting, and whereby, his straight talk mirrors his life of just doing the job to help the firefighters and the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, on the occasion of his retirement, the Board of Chosen Freeholders take this opportunity to thank Tim Smith for his years of service, and commend the outstanding effort he has always exhibited, and proclaim this day, April 17, 2010 to be known as:

"Tim Smith Day"


in the County of Monmouth.

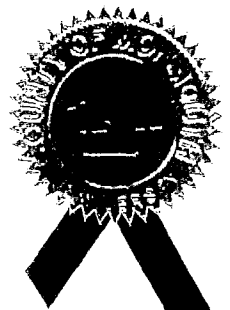

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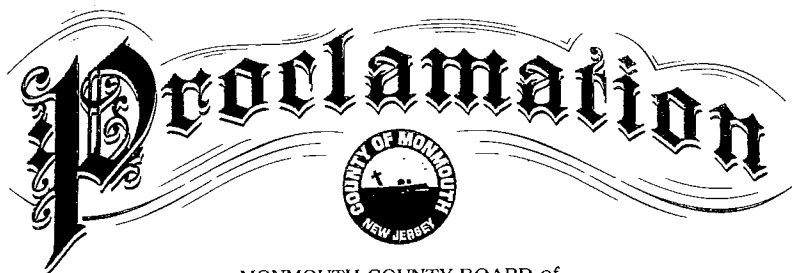

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- **Freeholder Mallet** gave a Proclamation to the Keyport Senior Center Volunteers



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Keyport Senior Center Volunteers

It has been written that "volunteers are the heart of our center, we value their efforts and all that they do, we thank them for making a difference, we truly appreciate all that they do"... but that is just the beginning.

WHEREAS, the strength of our communities lies in the hearts and souls of our citizens, and the volunteers who donate their time and talents to improving lives help to solve many of the human problems that plague our society; and

WHEREAS, volunteers, working in partnership with government, and organizations like the Keyport Senior Center, enrich the lives of others by helping to identify the problems and assist those in our society who are in need; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2010, the Keyport Senior Center takes pleasure in presenting a program honoring the special people, who willingly give of their time, energies and resources in the service of our community; and

WHEREAS, on the occasion of the 15th Annual Volunteer Luncheon, the Board of Chosen Freeholders wishes to join with the volunteers, friends and members of the Keyport Senior Center to honor and take special note of the citizens who have dedicated themselves to active, voluntary community service.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Chosen Freeholders proclaims this day, April 7, 2010 as:

"Keyport Senior Center Volunteer Day"

in the County of Monmouth and encourage more people to become an essential part of the quality of life of many of our neighbors as volunteers.

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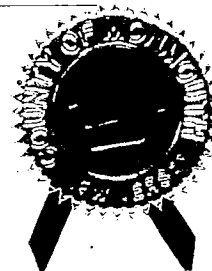
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- Director Burry is presenting a Proclamation to the CentraState Healthcare Volunteers

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Honoring the CentraState Volunteers

WHEREAS, the volunteer program at CentraState Medical Center has 627 volunteers ranging from 14 to 92, supporting the staff in more than 75 locations throughout the medical center; and

WHEREAS, each year, approximately 65,000 hours of volunteer service is contributed by the adult and student volunteers of CentraState Medical Center; and


WHEREAS, the 2010 theme "Volunteers Build a Better World," truly represents the CentraState volunteers, who, so willingly give their time, talents, energies and resources in performing countless unheralded acts of kindness hard work and dedication; and

WHEREAS, CentraState Volunteers provide a vital service link to both patients and visitors, assisting in providing patient escort and transport; helping with food service; managing the library cart; and, providing clerical and reception assistance; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2010, a luncheon will be held to honor the CentraState Volunteers and celebrate the positive impact that they have had on the lives of patients at CentraState Medical Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Chosen Freeholders congratulates and commends all of the volunteers for their continuing efforts and proclaims this day, April 14, 2010 as:


"CentraState Volunteer Recognition Day"
in the County of Monmouth and congratulate and commend the volunteers for their continuing efforts and dedication.


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- **Director Burry** is presenting a Proclamation to the the Boy Scouts of America celebrating their 100th Anniversary.

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Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America

WHEREAS, on February 8, 1910, the Boy Scouts of America were established to provide educational programs for boys and young adults, to help build character, learn the responsibilities of citizenship, and develop personal fitness; and

WHEREAS, Scouting in New Jersey has a long history, from the 1910's to the present day, serving thousands of youth in programs that build character; trains our young men in the responsibilities of, and participating in good citizenship, and helps to develop personal fitness in a team environment; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our nation's largest values-based youth development organizations that endeavors to develop citizens who are physically, mentally, and emotionally fit; have a high degree of self-reliance; have personal values based on religious concepts, have the desire and skills to help others and are prepared to participate in and give leadership to American society; and

WHEREAS, as a Boy Scout, a young man has an obligation to be loyal to his family, his Scout leaders, his friends, his school, and his country; and to be courageous, not only in the face of physical danger, but to stand up for what is right; and

WHEREAS, the Monmouth Council will be celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America on the weekend of April 17, 2010, with highlights that will include a Scout Skill Show, the Pinewood Derby Championships, the New Jersey Scout Museum and the retirement of an American flag that flew over the George Washington Bridge.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Chosen Freeholders joins with friends, family and members of Scouting in honoring the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America by proclaiming this day, April 17, 2010 to be known as:

"Boy Scouts of America Day"

in the County of Monmouth and commend their many positive activities that benefit our community.

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