

**RESOLUTION 305(18)**

November 7, 2018

WHEREAS, World AIDS Day takes place on the 1st of December each year. World AIDS Day is dedicated to spreading awareness of the AIDS pandemic spread by the spread of HIV infection, and to mourning those who have died of the disease; and

WHEREAS, HIV stands for human immunodeficiency virus. It is the virus that can lead to acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, or AIDS, if not treated. Unlike some other viruses, the human body can't get rid of HIV completely, even with treatment. So once you get HIV, you have it for life; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 40 million people worldwide have died of AIDS since 1981, and an estimated 37 million are living with HIV, making it one of the most important global public health issues in recorded history; and

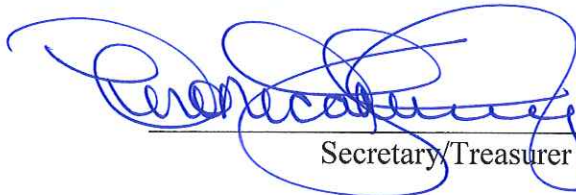
WHEREAS, despite recent improvements in treatment, the AIDS epidemic still claims an estimated two million lives each year, of which more than 250,000 are children; and

WHEREAS, World AIDS Day is important because it reminds the public and government that HIV has not gone away – there is still a vital need to raise money, increase awareness, fight prejudice and improve education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ocean County Board of Health that Saturday, December 1, 2018 is hereby proclaimed World AIDS Day in Ocean County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Name	Bacchione	Blake	Dasti	Hill	Laureigh	Mancini	Scaturro	Singer	Mallon
Ayes	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent		✓							



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