## RESOLUTION 166(20)

May 13, 2020

WHEREAS, the 2020 National Hurricane Preparedness Week will be recognized during May 3<sup>rd</sup> through May 9th<sup>th</sup>; and

WHEREAS, National Hurricane Preparedness Week is a nationwide effort to inform the public about hurricane hazards and to disseminate knowledge which can be used to prepare and take action; and

WHEREAS, every year, hurricanes put communities at risk of catastrophic damage from storm surges, flooding, high winds, and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, history has shown that by knowing our vulnerability and what actions to take, people can reduce the effects of a hurricane disaster; and

WHEREAS, during National Hurricane Preparedness Week we must dedicate ourselves to preventing loss of life and damage to property by creating an understanding about hurricane hazards and taking action to protect everyone, their homes and their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, a community-based approach to emergency management begins with an informed public; everyone should know their evacuation routes, develop a family communications plan to help ensure loved ones so they can find one another before and after a severe storm, creating an emergency supply kit, as well as, having an emergency care plan for all pets in case of an evacuation, etc.; and

WHEREAS, as we mark the beginning of hurricane season, we must recommit to ensuring the safety of our loved ones and our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health does hereby proclaim May 3 through May 9, 2020 NATIONAL HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK and will assure our residents will have access to information about hurricane preparedness and response to help save lives and protect communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Name	Bacchione	Blake	Crea	Hill	Laureigh	Mancini	Scaturro	Singer	Mallon
Ayes		-				-			/
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent									

Secretary/Treasurer