

**RESOLUTION 227(20)**

August 12, 2020

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Health supports and recognizes many governmental and nonprofit organizations whose mission parallels its own; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Social Services has declared September 2020 as “Board and Care Recognition Month,” and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is most imperative that boarding homes and residential care facilities provide safe room, board, and valuable personal services for the aged and for persons with mental and physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS, these facilities play a vital and necessary role in the comprehensive care given to the aged and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Rooming and Board House Act of 1979, the Ocean County Board of Social Services has played an important role in ensuring the quality of care provided in these facilities in order to protect their vulnerable adult residents from abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and

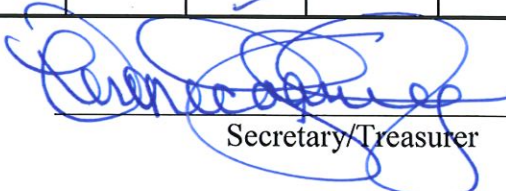
WHEREAS, the need and impact on this most fragile population has grown due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which is why the Ocean County Health Department has formed a team to work directly with each long-term care facility in Ocean County; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey has traditionally declared the month of September as “Board and Care Recognition Month” in honor of the owners, operators, care providers, and service agencies who, through their compassion, empathy, and actions exhibit a genuine concern for their fellow citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH does hereby recognize September 2020 as “Board and Care Recognition Month” in Ocean County and urges all citizens to join in declaring the importance of our many board and care homes throughout Ocean County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the resolution shall be forwarded to the Commissioner of New Jersey Department of Health, the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Director of Ocean County Board of Social Services.

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Ayes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent									

  
Secretary/Treasurer