

RESOLUTION 88(21)

February 24, 2021

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's National World Tuberculosis Awareness Day is "The Clock is Ticking" conveys the sense that the world is running out of time to act on the commitments to end TB made by global leaders. This is especially critical in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic that has put End TB progress at risk; and

WHEREAS, tuberculosis (TB) is one of the world's deadliest diseases. Each day, nearly 4000 lose their lives to TB and close to 28,000 people fall ill with this preventable and curable disease. Global efforts to combat TB have saved an estimated 63 million lives since the year 2000; and

WHEREAS, TB causes the deaths of nearly one-and-a-half million people each year, mostly in developing countries; and


WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department, in addressing public health issues, continues to offer Mantoux testing, follow-up and treatment to any infected resident with TB; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department will provide investigations and further testing to possible contacts of those infected with TB; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Health and the Ocean County Health Department work together to identify, treat and support the individuals and families affected by TB.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health hereby proclaims Wednesday, March 24, 2021 as **National World Tuberculosis Awareness Day** and continues with its commitment to Ocean County residents to educate, identify, test and treat individuals affected by TB to prevent further spread of infection to any individual.

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