

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, on September 26, 1961, the 87th United States Congress passed a joint resolution requesting that the President of the United States proclaim the third week of March National Poison Prevention Week; and

WHEREAS, National Poison Prevention Week raises awareness of poison prevention nationwide during the third full week of March every year. The week is an opportunity to highlight the dangers of poisonings for people of all ages and promote community involvement in poisoning prevention while also raising awareness to poison control centers and the Poison Help Hotline (1-800-222-1222); and

WHEREAS, over 2 million potential poisonings are reported in the U.S. every year, with over 90% of these occurring in the home and the majority of them being young children; and

WHEREAS, every day over 300 children require treatment in an emergency room, with an average of 2 deaths being recorded per day. Most of these incidents involve highly toxic household items such as cleaning products and medicine; and

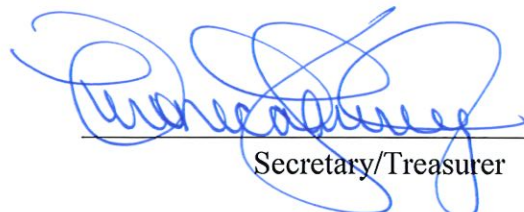
WHEREAS, household cleaning agents, prescription medications, pesticides, and other items can pose serious hazards to the health and well-being of individuals and even their pets; and

WHEREAS, National Poison Prevention Week and spring fall on the same week, which is the perfect time to deep clean the rooms in your home, get rid of old and outdated products, and open your windows to allow air into the house when using chemicals; and

WHEREAS, poison control centers are always available to offer help and guidance when poisonings happen. Remember to contact Poison Control right away if you suspect a poisoning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health proclaims March 20-26, 2022 as **National Poison Prevention Week** and during this week we encourage residents of Ocean County to work together as a community to educate ourselves on poison prevention, and pledge our commitment to ensuring the safety of our families, communities, and each other.

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