

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, October 2023 is designated as National Dental Hygiene Month. This month-long national health observance brings together thousands of dedicated professionals, healthcare providers, and educators to promote the benefits of good oral health; and

WHEREAS, National Dental Hygiene Month focuses on the four components of good oral health maintenance; these four components include emphasis on the importance of brushing teeth twice a day for two minutes, flossing every day, rinsing with mouthwash and chewing sugar-free gum; and

WHEREAS, the goal of regular oral hygiene practices is to prevent tooth decay, gum disease, and other disorders that put the health of your teeth and mouth at risk (cavities, gum diseases, dry mouth, bad breath); and

WHEREAS, good oral hygiene is the first step to preventing and removing unwanted bacteria in your mouth. Taking these steps will reduce dental diseases and will help positively influence your overall health; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department continues to work closely with and support Ocean Health Initiatives, The Center for Health Education, Medicine and Dentistry (CHEMED) and schools throughout the county as they either provide dental services or promote dental health to Ocean County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department continues to implement dental health education programs in schools throughout Ocean County; and

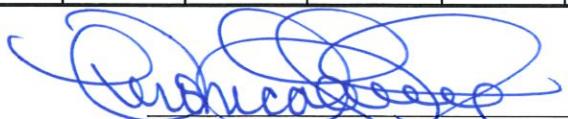
WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department provides preventative programs to senior communities and organizations throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Health will continue to promote dental health initiatives that are reaching at risk populations to receive dental care.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Ocean County Board of Health, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey hereby proclaims the month of October 2023 as **National Dental Hygiene Month** and encourages all citizens and community organizations to join in this observance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners and made available for participating municipalities and other interested individuals on the Ocean County Health Department website.

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