



*Township of Washington, Warren County,
State of New Jersey Established 1849*



**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER AND
CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE RETIRING WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CHIEF OF POLICE
THOMAS J. CICERELLE**

WHEREAS Thomas J. Cicerelle, retiring Chief of Police of the Township of Washington has served in law enforcement for the last 34 years and is well respected by fellow law enforcement officers, civilian employees, and volunteers; and

WHEREAS his career began in Washington in 1987 as a Communications Operator and upon his completion of the NJ State Police Academy Municipal Class he was hired as a patrolman in Washington Township in 1987 and then briefly worked as an officer with the Greenwich Township Police Department before returning to the Washington Township Police Department in 1994; and

WHEREAS during his tenure in the Washington Township Police Department he has held the ranks of Patrolman, K-9 Officer, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Deputy Chief, and on January 1, 2016, obtained the rank of Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS throughout his distinguished career, Tom was a member of the Warren County Tactical Response Team, a member of the Narcotics Task Force, and served as an Active Shooter Instructor where he worked with the Warren County Prosecutors Office to ensure that every officer in Warren County was trained to respond to an active shooter; and

WHEREAS Chief Cicerelle has also given his own personal time and volunteered for Big Brothers of Warren County, participated in the PBA #280 Toy Drive, and is a former PBA President having received numerous commendations on local, county, and state levels for his many accomplishments. Additionally, Chief Cicerelle has developed policies and procedures to meet the needs of the department and community such as lock-down procedures for the local schools to ensure a safer environment for students and staff, and has been proactive in advancing the department in the latest police training and equipment; and

WHEREAS the Washington Township Police Department, under his leadership, continues to be a model for other law enforcement agencies in Shared Services providing police coverage for the Borough of Washington and the Township of Oxford, including School Resource Officers, and has brought a true sense of professionalism to the department and the municipality. The benefits of his leadership will be evident for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Robert Klingel, on behalf of the Township Committee and staff, hereby recognize retiring Chief Thomas J. Cicerelle for his legacy of service in law enforcement to the Township of Washington and surrounding communities, expressing their deepest appreciation for his dedication and commitment to the citizens of the Township of Washington and its Police Department, and extend to Tom, his wife Jodi, and his family our best wishes for many years of happiness in the future.

Proclaimed this 21st day of December 2021


Mayor Robert J. Klingel, Washington Township

ATTEST:


Ann Kilduff, RMC