

## RESOLUTION 2015-118

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A-2704, NJ STOLEN VALOR ACT

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Barnegat is vigorously committed to supporting all men and women that serve out country; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat denounces any individual falsely representing themselves as a veteran or member of the military for the purpose of obtaining money, property or another benefit by wearing the uniform or any medal or insignia authorized for use by the members or veterans of the United Armed Forces or the organized militia; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill A-2704 introduces the New Jersey Stolen Valor Act, that would make false statement representing oneself as a recipient of any decoration or medal of the United States Armed Forces, or organized militia for the purpose of obtaining money, property or another benefit a crime of the third degree, with mandatory minimum fine of \$1,000; and

**WHEREAS**, fines collected under the New Jersey Stolen Valor Act would be dedicated to the Military Dependents Scholarship Fund, to be established by Assembly Bill No.2489 and Senate Bill 1812 currently pending before the Legislature; providing college scholarships to the spouses and children of those killed, missing in action or disabled in Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the township of Barnegat strongly supports A-2704; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution shall be made available to Governor Chris Christie, the New Jersey State Legislature, the Ninth Legislative District and Ocean County Municipalities.

### CERTIFICATION

I, Michele A. Rivers, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat at their regular meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015 in the Municipal Complex, 900 W. Bay Avenue, Barnegat NJ

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Michele A. Rivers, RMC  
Municipal Clerk