## **RESOLUTION 2015-289**

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING WORLD RABIES DAY ALONG WITH THE OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

**WHEREAS**, rabies is a viral disease that is transmitted through the saliva or tissues from an infected mammal to another mammal and is the deadliest disease on earth;

**WHEREAS**, sixty thousand people worldwide die from rabies each year and most human cases are caused by a bite or scratch from an infected dog; and

**WHEREAS**, World Rabies Day promotes education on how to prevent and control the disease in animals;

**WHEREAS**, the Ocean County Health Department, through media outlets and additional educational materials, educates the public on limiting family and pet exposure to rabies and;

**WHEREAS**, the Ocean County Health Department and local municipalities offer free rabies shots to dogs and cats; and

**WHEREAS**, The Ocean County Health Department has clinics offering pre-exposure rabies vaccinations for anyone employed in a high risk occupation of becoming infected with rabies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ocean County Board of Health hereby proclaims the day of September 28, 2015 as World Rabies Day in the Township of Barnegat and encourages all residents to vaccinate their pets and become educated on the risk factors and warning signs of rabies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that** a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Ocean County participating municipalities of the Ocean County Health Department, and the Ocean County Animal Facilities.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Michele 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 21st day of September 2015, in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, New Jersey.

Michele Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk