## **RESOLUTION 2015-291**

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2015 AS NATIONAL CHILDHOOD OBESITY AWARENESS MONTH WITH THE OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

**WHEREAS**, obesity rates have soared among all age groups in the past four decades and the rise in obesity rates have affected our youth; and

**WHEREAS**, twenty three million children and teenagers in the United States are obese or overweight and childhood obesity puts children at early risk for diseases and chronic conditions, such as Type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease and possibly stroke, and

**WHEREAS,** the Ocean County Health Department promotes healthy eating and exercising to prevent obesity with the use of health education programs presented to schools and communities throughout the county; and

**WHEREAS**, promoting being physically active, eating healthy, avoiding tobacco and living a healthy lifestyle are ways to reduce the epidemic childhood obesity.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ocean County Board of Health proclaims the month of September 2015 as National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month in Ocean County and will continue to promote and encourage healthy eating and exercise in an effort to prevent childhood obesity.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of the resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and Ocean County Mayors.

## 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2015, in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, New Jersey.

> Michele A. Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk