## **RESOLUTION 2019 – 215**

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE EDWIN B. FORSYTHE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

**WHEREAS**, the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge was first established as Brigantine National Wildlife Refuge in 1939; and

**WHEREAS**, today the refuge encompass nearly 48,000 acres of habitat that is critically important for migratory birds and wildlife, especially the federally listed Piping Plover; and

**WHEREAS**, the 50-mile-long site supports the National Wildlife Refuge System's six priority public uses of wildlife observation and photography, hunting, fishing, interpretation and environmental education; and

**WHEREAS**, the refuge is visited by over 250,000 people each year who engage in world-class birdwatching and wildlife photography; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Barnegat contains over 3,300 acres of this Jersey Shore treasure.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Mayor and Council of Barnegat, County of Ocean and State of New Jersey, do hereby congratulate the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge on its 80th Anniversary.

## **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 at their meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 W Bay Avenue, Barnegat, NJ on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

Michele Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk