

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-172**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE EGG  
HARBOR, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
SUPPORTING WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY  
(WEAAD)**

**WHEREAS**, according to World Health Organization, elder abuse can be defined as "a single, or repeated act, or lack of appropriate action, occurring within any relationship, where there is an expectation of trust, which causes harm or distress to an older person"; and

**WHEREAS**, elder abuse can take various forms such as physical, psychological or emotional, sexual and financial abuse and can be the result of intentional or unintentional neglect; and

**WHEREAS**, research has shown that 4 to 6 percent of the elderly suffer from some form of abuse, most of which goes unreported; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization under United Nations General Assembly designated June 15<sup>th</sup> as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day" for the world to voice its opposition to any form of abuse of our older generation; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocean County Board of Social Services and Little Egg Harbor Township aim to promote a better understanding of the cultural, social, economic and demographic abuse and neglect of the older generation by raising awareness; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2023, Little Egg Harbor Township urges all residents to wear purple to raise awareness and show support for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; and

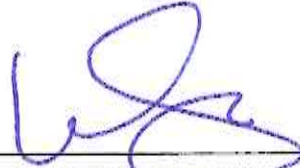
**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee wishes to support Ocean County Board of Social Services for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day to remain focused on our elders to ensure they lead a long lasting high quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Township Committee ask that all residents of Little Egg Harbor Township join in supporting World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15, 2023.
2. That the Township Committee encourage the residents of Little Egg Harbor Township to participate in World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15, 2023 by wearing purple to show support and raise awareness of elder abuse.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Governor Murphy, 9<sup>th</sup> District Legislators, and the Ocean County Board of Commissioners.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, **KELLY LETTERA, RMC**, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Little Egg Harbor do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township of Little Egg Harbor Township Committee at a meeting held on the **8th** day of **June, 2023**.



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**KELLY LETTERA, RMC**  
Township Clerk  
Little Egg Harbor Township