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Attached for your information, please find copies of Resolutions 2016-96 and 2016-97 that were adopted by the Chester Township Council at their October 4, 2016 meeting.

Thank you and have a nice weekend.

Kathy Potter

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**TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER
RESOLUTION 2016-96**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ANY AND ALL IMAGES
THAT PURPORT TO GLORIFY OR JUSTIFY VIOLENCE AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

WHEREAS , law enforcement officers are essential to the safety and well-being of our American Republic and its citizens; and

WHEREAS , radical organizations and their ideology of terror represent an existential threat to democracy worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the terroristic use of beheadings by ISIS and the furtherance of its global ambitions is both a form of cruel and unusual punishment, as well as a crime against humanity; and

WHEREAS, the terrorist groups have declared that a state of war exists between them and the United States of America, its allies, the military organizations of the USA and its allies, and American citizens and those of our allies worldwide; and

WHEREAS , the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America protects disturbing and offensive images and commentary; and

WHEREAS , that under the Constitution of the United States of America, our best means of combating disturbing and offensive speech is with more speech to counter what we find disturbing and offensive;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Chester , County of Morris, State of New Jersey, express their condemnation of publications and distribution of any and all images that purport to glorify or justify violence against law enforcement officers and call on the New Jersey legislature to join in condemning such publications; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be sent to the President of the United States, Senate President of the House, Speaker of the House, Governor of the State of New Jersey, the President of the New Jersey Senate, the Speaker of the New Jersey Assembly, the legislators who represent Morris County municipalities and the members (Senate and House) of Congress who represent the County, and to all municipalities in Morris County.

Dated: October 4, 2016

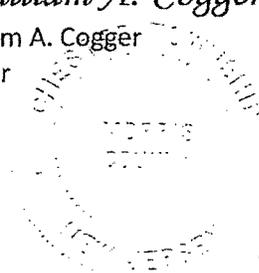
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TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER

Robin Collins
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Municipal Clerk/Administrator

William A. Cogger
William A. Cogger
Mayor

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy
of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Township
Council of the Township of Chester at a meeting
held on October 4, 2016.



**TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER
RESOLUTION 2016-97**

**ENDORISING AND SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF ASSEMBLY NO. 3686,
DESIGNATED AS "RALPH AND DAVID'S LAW"**

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2004, David Heim, a thirteen-year-old boy was tragically killed by a drunk driver in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, the drunk driver who hit David was convicted solely of drunk driving and served only thirty days in jail, the maximum term of imprisonment for a first offense under the State's Drunk Driving Law; and

WHEREAS, another tragic death occurred on May 5, 2012 when Ralph Politi, Jr., an East Hanover Township community activist and business owner, was killed by a drunk driver who swerved out of her lane and struck him as he stood by his parked pickup truck; and

WHEREAS, in the case of Ralph Politi, the drunk driver was recently acquitted of first-degree aggravated manslaughter and second-degree vehicular homicide, and instead received a two-year suspension of her driver's license, and was ordered to perform thirty days of community service and pay \$733 in fines and penalties; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the untimely deaths of both David Heim and Ralph Politi, and the penalty limitations imposed by current law, members of both sides of the aisle have crafted Assembly No. 3686, which establishes the crime of strict liability vehicular homicide and the conditions under which a defendant may be charged with such a violation; and

WHEREAS, under Assembly No. 3686, strict liability vehicular homicide would be a third-degree crime, but neither the presumption of no imprisonment that normally applies to first-time offenders convicted of third-degree crimes, nor the causal requirements of N.J.S.A. 2C:2-3, would apply; and

WHEREAS, Assembly No. 3686 would also amend various sections of statutory law to strengthen penalties for vehicular homicide caused by drunk or drugged drivers; and

WHEREAS, Assembly No. 3686 would be known as "Ralph and David's Law" in honor of Ralph Politi and David Heim; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Chester applauds the bi-partisan efforts of members of the General Assembly in strengthening the penalty provisions for operating a vehicle or vessel under the influence of drugs or alcohol, closing any loopholes that would set a violator free.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Chester, County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The governing body endorses and supports the bi-partisan efforts of the General Assembly in the introduction of Assembly No. 3686, which establishes the third-degree crime of strict liability vehicular homicide, amends various sections of statutory law, and designates Assembly No. 3686 as "Ralph and David's Law".
2. The Township Council calls upon all mayors and governing bodies in the other 38 Morris County municipalities to approve and adopt resolutions in support of Assembly No. 3686.
3. That certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the sponsors of Assembly, No. 3686, namely Assemblymen John F. McKeon and Anthony M. Bucco; Assemblywomen Mila M. Jasey, Nancy F. Munoz and Valerie Vainieri Huttie; Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto; Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney; members of Legislative Districts 21, 25, 26, 27 and 40; the New Jersey State League of Municipalities; and all Morris County municipalities.

Dated: October 4, 2016

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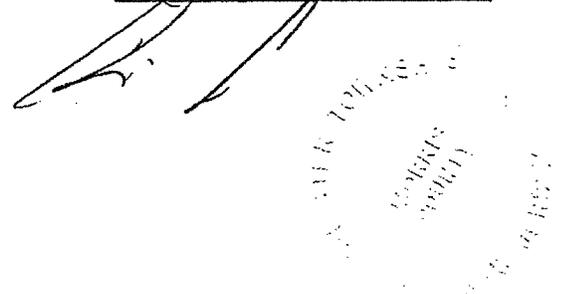
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A handwritten signature in black ink is written over a circular official seal. The seal contains the text "TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER" around the perimeter and "NEW JERSEY" at the bottom. The signature is written in a cursive style.