

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
MOUNT OLIVE HONORING MICHAEL POCQUAT FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE,  
COMMITMENT, AND DEDICATION TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE**

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat attended Gettysburg College and Lycoming College, wrestling collegiately at both schools, and received his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Lycoming; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1989, Michael Pocquat joined the Mount Olive Police Department and graduated from the 34<sup>th</sup> Basic Police Class at the Morris County Police Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, during his storied career, Michael Pocquat served Mount Olive Township in the Patrol Division as a Patrolman, Sergeant, and Assistant Patrol Commander/Acting Lieutenant, in the Investigations Division as a Detective, and in the Support Services Division as a Traffic Sergeant; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat's vast expertise has included acting as a Physical Fitness and Conditioning Instructor, Pre-Objective Employment Interviewer for Police Recruits, Field Training Officer, Firearms Instructor, and member of the Special Operations Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat more recently focused his efforts towards the three "E's" of the Traffic Function – engineering, education and enforcement – reflecting his desire to effect positive change to safety and traffic flow in Mount Olive Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat received additional training in Accident Investigation from the Institute of Police Technology and Management at the University of North Florida, and in High Intensity Drug Traffic Awareness from the Regional Training Center in New York City, as well as the prestigious New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police West Point Command and Leadership Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat has been a resident of Mount Olive Township for many years, but even more importantly, a dedicated member of the community who has developed a strong and positive rapport with the people he has met, whether as the subject of an arrest, as a citizen, or as a victim of crime; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat has policed the public in a way that any member of the public would want his own family to be treated; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Pocquat has throughout his career avidly supported and advocated for other police officers by his selfless acts, which have included responding to a search and rescue mission at Ground Zero during the September 11, 2001 tragedy, and participating in the Police Unity Tour, where he rode his bicycle 300 miles from New Jersey to Washington DC to raise awareness for officers killed in the line of duty and to support the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, during his many years of service to the Township of Mount Olive, Michael Pocquat has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues for his public service and dedication to the residents of the Township of Mount Olive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive wishes Michael Pocquat best wishes on his retirement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that Michael Pocquat is hereby recognized and honored for his dedication, service, and commitment to the residents of the Township of Mount Olive, in appreciation of his career and contributions to the Township of Mount Olive.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

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JOE NICASTRO  
Mount Olive Township Council President

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution passed by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on July 26, 2016.

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MICHELLE MASSER  
Mount Olive Township Deputy Municipal Clerk