

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MOUNT OLIVE CERTIFYING NICOLE SHIELDS AND/OR HER MINOR
CHILDREN AS ELIGIBLE FOR A VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY-WORKER'S
SURVIVORS PENSION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 43:12-28.1 et seq. as amended by L. 2002, c. 134, states, in part:

“A governing body may determine that the widow or children or parent of a volunteer is eligible for a survivor’s pension whenever a volunteer dies while responding to, preparing for or returning from an emergency while under orders from a competent authority.”; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Shields was a volunteer firefighter/firstaider for Flanders Fire Company #1, Inc., when on May 31, 2011, he was called to the scene of a medical emergency involving an unresponsive child at a local school in the Flanders section of Mount Olive Township; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Shields was engaged in rendering assistance at the scene of the emergency and upon completion of the emergency, Thomas Shields complained of not feeling well and of chest pain and returned home, where his wife summoned an ambulance and paramedics and he was transported to the hospital where he died within 3 hours of the beginning of the call; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Shields is survived by his wife, Nicole Shields, and two minor children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby certify Nicole Shields, and/or her minor children, as eligible for a survivor’s pension under the Volunteer Emergency-Worker’s Survivors Pension offered by the State of New Jersey as Thomas Shields was responding to, preparing for, or returning from an emergency and under order of the Flanders Fire Company #1, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk shall immediately serve a certified copy of this Resolution on the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk shall promptly transmit to the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits such other and additional documentation and information as may be required.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Joe Nicastro, 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 August 4, 2015.

Michelle Masser, Deputy Township Clerk