# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

## October 5-11, 2025

#### "CHARGE INTO FIRE SAFETY™: LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES IN YOUR HOME"

WHEREAS, Haddon Heights/Barrington Firefighters are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education. The theme this year highlights the growing fire risks associated with common household electronics and the importance of using, buying, charging, and recycling lithium-ion batteries safely to prevent fires, and

WHEREAS, fire remains a serious public safety concern, and the presence of lithium-ion batteries in many household devices introduces unique fire risks. Lithium-ion batteries in phones, laptops, e-bikes, and power tools can overheat and catch fire if they are damaged, overcharged, or of poor quality, and

**WHEREAS**, safety tips for users include using only the manufacturer's charger and keeping batteries away from heat. Stop using batteries that are swollen, smoking, or damaged. Look for products with a stamp from a nationally recognized testing lab when buying new devices, and

WHEREAS, lithium-ion batteries store a large amount of energy in a small space, and improper use such as overcharging, using off-brand chargers without safety certification, or exposing batteries to damage can result in fire or explosion. The proper disposal and recycling of lithium-ion batteries help prevent environmental hazards and reduce fire risks in the home and community; and

WHEREAS, our residents are responsive to public education measures. With this information they can take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes and businesses.

NOW THEREFORE, Mayor Kyle Hanson, and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2025, as FIRE PREVENTION WEEK throughout Barrington. We ask all residents and visitors to our community to make sure they are taking steps to protect their families, home, and business by using and disposing of lithium-ion batteries properly. We urge our residents to support the public safety activities and efforts of the Haddon Heights/Barrington fire and emergency services.

Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Terry Shannon, Borough Clerk



WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month was established in the early 1980s to promote breast cancer awareness, early detection, and support for individuals and families affected by the disease, and

WHEREAS, 1 in 8 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. In 2024, an estimated 310,720 women and 2,800 men will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer. Chances are, you know at least one person who has been personally affected by breast cancer, and

WHEREAS, in the United States, breast cancer occurs within every racial and ethnic group. However, the average age of Black women diagnosed with breast cancer is 60 years old, compared to an average age of 62 for white women. Black women are 40% more likely to die from breast cancer than white women. Black women have the lowest 5-year relative breast cancer survival rate of any racial or ethnic group. Hispanic women have a 20% lower incidence rate of breast cancer than other groups. Hispanic women are more likely than white women to be diagnosed with breast cancer at later stages when it is more difficult to treat. Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer death for Hispanic women, and Asian and Pacific Islander women are more likely to be diagnosed with localized (earlier stage, more treatable) breast cancer than other groups. This group of women have the lowest death rate from breast cancer. American Indian and Alaska Native women have the lowest incidence rate of developing breast cancer. Chinese and Japanese women have the highest breast cancer survival rates, and

WHEREAS, although rare, men get breast cancer too. In 2024, an estimated 2,800 men will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in the United States. An estimated 530 U.S. men will die from breast cancer in 2024. The lifetime risk of a U.S. man developing breast cancer is about 1 in 726. Black men with breast cancer tend to have a worse prognosis, or outlook, than white men with breast cancer, and

WHEREAS, more information is available online at cancer.gov/types/breast or by calling 1-800-422-6237 to reach information specialists at the National Cancer Institute, who can answer cancer-related questions in English and Spanish. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program provide breast cancer screenings and diagnostic services to those with low incomes who are uninsured or otherwise qualify for the program — learn more at cdc.gov/cancer/nbccedp/screenings.htm.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** Mayor Hanson and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington proclaim October as **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.** We commit to the work of ending cancer as we know it, and honor those we have lost, offer strength to those who continue to live with breast cancer, and work to protect the health of future generations.

Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Terry Shannon, Borough Clerk

#### PROCLAMATION

### HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

### SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 15, 2025

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month began as a week-long celebration in 1968 under President Johnson and was expanded to a month in 1998 by President Reagan. This month is a celebration of Hispanic and Latino history and culture and is important because it provides an opportunity to celebrate the integral legacy the Hispanic/Latino community has had in growing and strengthening our democracy. It provides an opportunity to explore the incredible impact Latinas and Latinos have had in our nation, and

WHEREAS, the Latino presence in America spans centuries, predating Spain's colonization of what is now part of the United States, and they have been a part of shaping our nation since the Revolutionary War, and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, we recognize the resounding strength and success of the Hispanic-American community. We honor their tremendous contributions to our culture, economy, and future. Above all, we recommit to making America stronger and greater than ever before, and

WHEREAS, Latinos and Latinas continue to shape our nation, as business owners, activists, artists, public servants, and more. From serving in the US military to being champions in the fight for civil rights, Latinas and Latinos remain strong leaders and changemakers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Mayor Kyle Hanson and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington, New Jersey, do hereby proclaim September 15th - October 15th, 2025, as **Hispanic Heritage Month** in Barrington. We will continue to advocate for Hispanics/Latinos as representation does matter. We encourage our residents to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and continue to provide safe environments in the schools and communities throughout our borough.

Kyle Hanson, Mayor

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Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk

## **PROCLAMATION**

## KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY

### OCTOBER 6, 2025

WHEREAS, New Jersey is in the midst of a life-threatening opioid abuse epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey has designated October 6, 2025, as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day — an initiative with a dual purpose: to raise awareness of the potential for dependency on prescribed pain medicine and its link to heroin use rates in our state, reduce stigma of addiction and shine a light on the need for recovery support, and communicate to physicians information on safer prescribing messages found in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for prescribing opioids, which include considering other therapies, setting realistic treatment goals with patients and discussing with patients the positives and negatives of opioids; and

WHEREAS, the State Senate and General Assembly jointly resolved that October 6 shall be permanently designated as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day in New Jersey in order to raise awareness about the dangers of, and the link between, opioid abuse and heroin addiction and to educate health care providers, community leaders, state lawmakers and members of the public about the opioid abuse epidemic and its effects throughout the State of New Jersey and across the country; and

WHEREAS, hotlines and help lines are attached to this proclamation for use by anyone who needs information, help and answers.

NOW, THEREFORE, Mayor Kyle Hanson and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington encourages our residents to be aware of the help and assistance that is available to our residents through the programs provided by the state of New Jersey and through Camden County.

Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Attest:

Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk

## **PROCLAMATION**



## NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY OCTOBER 28, 2025

WHEREAS, first responders—including public works professionals, firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, paramedics, and other emergency personnel—stand on the front lines of our communities, selflessly serving and protecting the citizens of Barrington in times of crisis; and,

WHEREAS, first responders respond swiftly and courageously to emergencies, often putting their own lives at risk to ensure the safety and well-being of others, whether in natural disasters, accidents, medical emergencies, or public health and safety threats; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in our borough to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and other first responder efforts in their respective communities; and.

WHEREAS, as of 2019 the US Senate has included language recognizing public works alongside fellow/other first responders.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Kyle Hanson, Mayor, and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington do hereby designate October 28, 2025, as National First Responders Day. We encourage all residents to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association in activities, events, and ceremonies paying tribute to our public works first responders alongside law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, and other emergency personnel, to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing the quality of life for all.

Kyle Hanson, Mayor

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