

PROCLAMATION,

"PUT THE BRAKES ON FATALITIES DAY" **OCTOBER 10, 2026**

WHEREAS, traffic crashes remain a leading cause of preventable injury and loss of life across the United States and the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" is a nationwide effort uniting drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, and communities around a common goal of zero traffic fatalities for at least one full day; and

WHEREAS, the path toward zero fatalities relies on everyday safety habits, including:

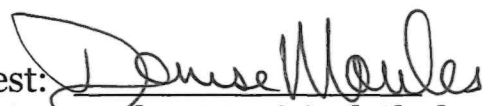
- Buckling up on every ride, in every seat
- Obeying posted speed limits and driving to conditions
- Stopping for pedestrians in crosswalks and using crosswalks when walking
- Avoiding aggressive driving and road rage behaviors
- Never driving impaired by alcohol, drugs, or distraction
- Wearing proper safety gear when operating a motorcycle, bicycle, or scooter
- Putting down mobile phones and eliminating all in-vehicle distractions; and

WHEREAS, driver and pedestrian choices on October 10 are intended to spark long-term, year-round commitments to road safety, courtesy, and vigilance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kyle Hanson, Mayor, and the governing body of the Borough of Barrington, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2026, as **"PUT THE BRAKES ON FATALITIES DAY"** and call upon all residents, motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists to practice safe behaviors today and every day of the year to protect lives on our roadways.



Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Attest: 
Denise Moules, Municipal Clerk

Date: October 26, 2026

PROCLAMATION

KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY

OCTOBER 6, 2026

WHEREAS, New Jersey continues to feel the devastating impacts of the opioid epidemic, affecting individuals, families, and communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Senate and General Assembly unanimously approved joint legislation permanently designating October 6th as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day in New Jersey. Data from the New Jersey Office of the Chief State Medical Examiner indicates a promising 27 percent decrease in suspected drug overdose deaths in 2025 compared to 2024, yet the fight against substance use disorder requires constant public awareness, vigilance, and continuous education; and

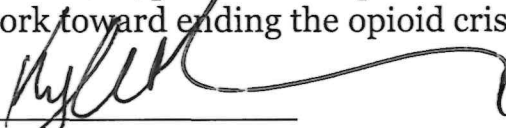
WHEREAS, the 11th annual Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day places specialized focus on the health and safety of older adults, noting that 36 percent of adults age 65 and older nationwide experience chronic pain and a significant portion require outpatient opioid care, highlighting a critical need for safe pain management education; and

WHEREAS, this statewide initiative is spearheaded by the [Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey](#), in cooperation with the Governor's Council on Substance Use Disorder and the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services; and

WHEREAS, increasing awareness regarding the risks of prescription opioids, promoting safe storage and disposal methods, and educating healthcare providers on safer prescribing protocols are vital strategies to prevent opioid misuse and save lives; and

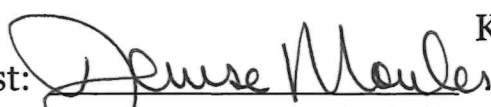
WHEREAS, local leadership, community coalitions, medical professionals, and residents play a vital role in creating supportive, informed environments to safely navigate substance use and healthcare choices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Kyle Hanson, Mayor, of the Borough of Barrington, proclaim October 6, 2026, as **KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE DAY**. I urge all residents, healthcare providers, and local organizations to utilize resources from PDFNJ's Knock Out Day Portal and [NJ Healthy Aging](#) to raise awareness, promote safe pain management, safely dispose of expired medications, and actively work toward ending the opioid crisis in our community



Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Attest:


Denise Moules, Municipal Clerk

October 13, 2025



NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY PROCLAMATION

OCTOBER 28, 2026

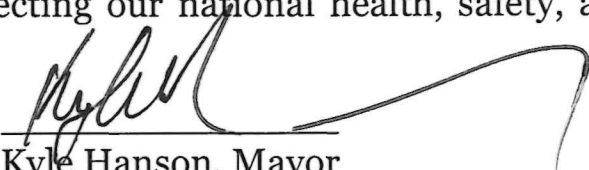
WHEREAS, first responders—including public works professionals, firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, paramedics, and other emergency personnel—stand on the front lines of our communities, selflessly serving and protecting the citizens of Barrington in times of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

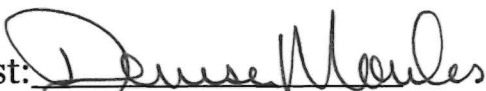
WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the residents, civic leaders, and children in **Barrington** Borough to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and other first responder efforts in their respective communities; and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kyle Hanson, Mayor and the Governing Body of the Borough of Barrington, do hereby designate October 28, 2026, as National First Responders Day. We urge all residents to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies to recognize our public works first responders alongside law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, and other emergency personnel, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing the quality of life for all.



Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Attest: 
Denise Moules, Municipal Clerk

October 13, 2026

PROCLAMATION

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the second most common cancer among women in the United States and remains a significant public health concern, striking approximately 1 in 8 women over the course of their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, awareness of the facts, risks, and statistics surrounding breast cancer is essential to empowering individuals across the State of New Jersey to make informed, proactive choices about their health and wellness; and

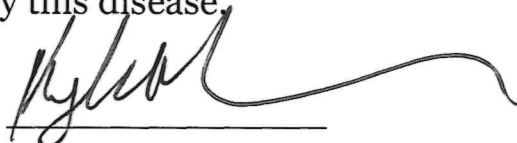
WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society and New Jersey health professionals emphasize that early detection through regular routine screening mammograms remains the most effective tool to detect changes before physical symptoms develop, significantly improving survival rates; and

WHEREAS, major healthcare organizations recommend that women at average risk begin discussing or receiving regular mammograms starting at age 40, continuing as long as they remain in good health; and

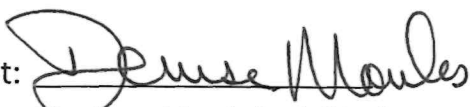
WHEREAS, this October, communities across New Jersey unite to honor the resilience of breast cancer survivors, offer comfort and strength to those currently battling the disease, and remember the loved ones we have tragically lost; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and applaud the tireless dedication of New Jersey's medical professionals, researchers, advocacy groups, and local health departments working daily to provide equitable access to quality healthcare, education, and support services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Kyle Hanson, Mayor, of the Borough of Barrington, do hereby proclaim October 2026 as **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**, and I urge all residents to learn the early warning signs of breast cancer, speak with their healthcare providers for appropriate screening schedules, and join in local efforts to support those affected by this disease.



Kyle Hanson, Mayor

Attest: 
Denise Moules, Municipal Clerk

October 13, 2026

PROCLAMATION

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SEPTEMBER 15 – OCTOBER 15, 2026

WHEREAS, each year the United States observes National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 through October 15 to celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures, and extensive contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans; and

WHEREAS, the mid-month timeframe holds deep historical significance, marking the independence anniversaries of several Latin American nations, and

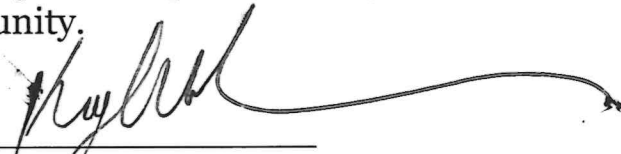
WHEREAS, more than **2 million Hispanic and Latino residents** call New Jersey home, accounting for roughly one-fifth of the state's population and contributing robustly as small business owners, educators, essential workers, artists, scientists, and public servants; and

WHEREAS, the national theme for 2026, **“Unidos, Somos Más” (“Together, We Are More”)**, highlights our collective strength, resilience, and the shared values of family, community service, and cultural pride that enrich the civic fabric of New Jersey; and

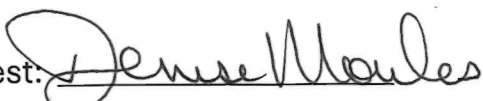
WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey continues to honor this heritage through meaningful actions in 2026, including executive support for historical legislation like Bill S3818 to recognize the historic contributions of Latino veterans, alongside local cultural initiatives hosted by [New Jersey Municipalities](#) and county commissions; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Barrington thrives on its diversity and is deeply grateful for the beauty, heart, traditions, and economic growth driven by our Hispanic neighbors, families, and local community builders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Kyle Hanson, Mayor, on behalf of the governing body of the Borough of Barrington, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, 2026, as: **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH** and encourage all residents to participate in local celebrations, explore Hispanic history, and honor the vital diversity that strengthens our entire community.



Kyle Hanson, Mayor

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Denise Moules, Municipal Clerk

October 13, 2026

PROCLAMATION

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 2026

“Charge into Fire Safety™: Safe Charging Is a Superpower,”

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern that poses a continuous threat to the lives, homes, and livelihoods of the residents of the Borough of Barrington, and

WHEREAS, according to data recognized by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, home and structure fires cause significant personal injury, property loss, and tragic loss of civilian and first responder lives throughout the State of New Jersey each year; and

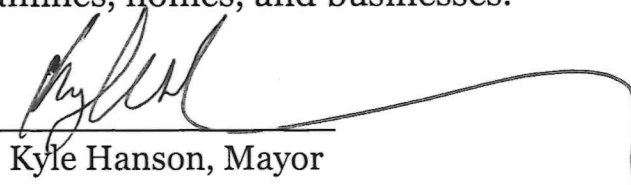
WHEREAS, the widespread daily use of consumer electronics—including smartphones, laptops, power tools, e-bikes, and scooters—powered by lithium-ion batteries introduces unique fire risks if these devices are misused, damaged, or improperly charged; and

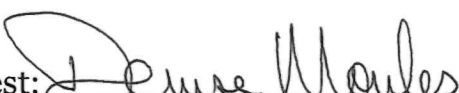
WHEREAS, the 2026 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, **“CHARGE INTO FIRE SAFETY™: SAFE CHARGING IS A SUPERPOWER,”** serves to effectively educate our community on simple, safe charging practices—such as using manufacturer-approved equipment, charging on hard surfaces, and avoiding overcharging—to mitigate the risk of battery-related fires; and

WHEREAS, our local first responders and volunteer fire service members work tirelessly throughout the year to protect our community through emergency response, rigorous fire inspections, and public outreach; and

WHEREAS, public awareness, routine maintenance of working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, and the active practice of home fire escape plans are proven mechanisms that dramatically improve survival rates during an emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I Kyle Hanson, Mayor, of the Borough of Barrington, do hereby proclaim **October 2026** as **FIRE PREVENTION MONTH**. I urge all residents, business owners, and civic organizations to support our local fire department, audit their homes for common fire hazards, and actively participate in fire safety programs to protect their families, homes, and businesses.


Kyle Hanson, Mayor

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Denise Moules, Borough Clerk

October 13, 2026