Proclamation

- WHEREAS, the Covid-19 pandemic has had a major impact on residents, businesses, schools and government in West Windsor Township, the County of Mercer, and the State of New Jersey since March of 2020, as part of an unprecedented worldwide crisis; and
- WHEREAS, this crisis has affected the physical and mental health, economic well-being, education and safety of all people; and
- WHEREAS, there have been many organizations and individuals in West Windsor that have responded to this crisis by helping others by using their skills, time and resources; and
- *WHEREAS,* these Hometown Heroes have persevered in helping others despite many risks to themselves; and
- WHEREAS, acts by public employees and volunteers have included work above and beyond in public safety, public health and maintaining the continuity of Township services; and
- WHEREAS, acts by private organization employees and volunteers have included making and supplying personal protective equipment, providing health care, providing food and maintaining our blood supply and other essential services; and
- WHEREAS, the Township of West Windsor has a project to showcase many of these Hometown Heroes as a thank you for their service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor Hemant Marathe and the Township Council of West Windsor Township, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the month of December of the year 2020 be designated by West Windsor Township as Hometown Heroes month to honor all those who have helped and are helping us through the Covid-19 pandemic.

> In witness whereof, we hereunto set our signatures and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the Township of West Windsor this 30th day of November, 2020.

Hemant Marathe, Mayor

Linda Geevers, Council Vice President

Andrew Hersh, Council Member

Andrea Mandel, Council President

Sonia Gawas, Council Member

Michael Stevens, Council Member