

Borough of Hasbrouck Heights

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The American with Disabilities Act (ADA) was enacted by the 101st United States Congress and was signed into law on July 26, 1990 by President George H. W. Bush; and

WHEREAS, this landmark legislation is a wide-ranging civil rights law that prohibits discrimination based on disability that includes both mental and physical medical conditions and removes barriers and empowers people with disabilities in the workforce and in public; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Human Services, Division on Disability Services was established by the Board of Chosen Freeholders in 1978, under Deputy Director Doris Mihalick and Chairman Jeremiah O'Connor, as the first office in New Jersey to address and serve the needs of persons with disabilities to help them achieve their full potential, in all aspects of everyday living, and to promote community-based living options; and

WHEREAS, James Thebery, a valued resident of Hasbrouck Heights, has been the Director of the Division on Disability Services for the past 22 years, having served as president of the New Jersey State Association of County Disability Services; and

WHEREAS, under James Thebery's direction the Bergen County Division on Disability Services has provided a wealth of information and wide array of programs and services in support of the residents of Bergen County with disabilities and their families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Mayor and Council and Community Awareness Access For All Committee of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, extend our sincere congratulations on the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of The Americans with Disabilities Act and special thanks to Director James Thebery and the Bergen County Division on Disability Services.

Dated: July 26, 2015

Mayor Rose Heck

