

**RESOLUTION 2019 – 84**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPOINTING MUNICIPAL HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill S3558 revises the enforcement of animal cruelty laws in the state by transferring the power of humane law enforcement for the New Jersey Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (“NJSPCA”) and County Societies For The Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals (“County Societies”) to a County Prosecutor Animal Cruelty Task Force in each county of the state and a Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer shall be appointed in each municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, it is directed that each police department shall name Humane Law Enforcement Officers on their force to enforce, investigate, and sign complaints concerning any violation of the animal cruelty laws of the state or ordinances of the municipality, and to act as an officer for the detection, apprehension, and arrest of offenders against the animal welfare and animal cruelty laws of the State and ordinances of the municipality.

**NOW, THEREFORE** be it resolved by the Barnegat Township Governing Body that Detective William Hetrick and Detective Maryann Cirulli be appointed as Secondary Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officers of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, with no compensation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officers shall report annually to the County Prosecutor Animal Cruelty Task Force on the number of complaints received for each offense under Chapter 22 of Title 4 of the Revised Statues, and the number of cases referred to the County Prosecutor Task Force in the previous year.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Michele Rivers, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the governing body at a meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 W. Bay Avenue, Barnegat NJ on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

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Michele Rivers, RMC  
Municipal Clerk