

*West Deptford Township*

# *Proclamation*

*WHEREAS, James P. Shields began his career as a Class II officer in North Wildwood in the summer of 1993. He became a police dispatcher for the West Deptford Police Department in June of 1994 and was sworn in as a 5<sup>th</sup> Class Patrolman in 1998. He has provided 25 years of dedicated and honorable service to the Township of West Deptford and, as such, we are here today to pay honor to and celebrate the twenty-five year career of Police Officer James P. Shields; and*

*WHEREAS, James P. Shields was a graduate of the Gloucester County Police Academy Class #15. He specialized in Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes and accident investigation, and was a certified Collision Re-Constructionist through Northwestern University; and*

*WHEREAS, James P. Shields has received numerous Letters of Commendation from the Office of the Chief of Police; and*

*WHEREAS, James P. Shields, has made a long-lasting contribution to West Deptford Township residents as an active member of his community, especially through his volunteer coaching of numerous youth football and wrestling programs for over 23 years, and most recently as the head coach of the Middle School Wrestling program; and*

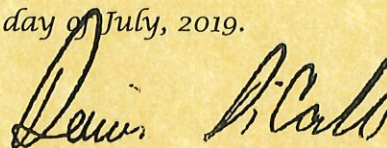
*WHEREAS, James P. Shields is a hardworking, knowledgeable and dutiful employee, he is also a loving husband to his wife Tricia, and father to his sons, James, Cameron and Gavin. He has exemplified the character traits of: devotion to duty, brotherly love for his officers, sincerity of purpose and genuine concern for all; and*

*WHEREAS, James P. Shields is retiring as of August 1, 2019 from his position with the Township of West Deptford and his dedication and service will be missed by the staff and residents. His service to West Deptford Township was exemplary and worthy of special notice.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Deptford, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey join the staff and residents of The Township of West Deptford in expressing appreciation to James P. Shields, for his loyal and dedicated service.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that I extend James P. Shields my personal best wishes upon his retirement and for continued success in his life's pursuits.*

Presented this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.



DENICE DICARLO, MAYOR

