NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: In December of 1945, 32 members of the Huntington and Parkside area of the Township met at the old Shimer School to form a fire company to protect this area, which was beginning to be developed with houses, and

WHEREAS: In January of 1946, the Huntington Volunteer Fire Department Association was formed with its first President elected, Charles Hennion. The first fire chief was Gabriel Kober who served as Chief from 1946 until 1957, and

WHEREAS: In December of 1946, six lots at the intersection of Maple and Chestnut Avenues were purchased for \$600.00. The money raised to purchase this property were from fund raising. This property became the Station 75-1, and

WHEREAS: In 1949, the Fire Department had purchased a Ford fire truck from the Reliance Hose Company of Phillipsburg for \$900.00 on November 14th. At this time there were 15 active firefighters and 5 fire policemen appointed by the President. The fire company had joined the Warren County Firemen's Association in 1949, and

WHEREAS: In 1950, firemen had voted in favor in establishing the Warren County Fire Academy and made applications to join the New Jersey State Firemen's Relief Association with William Fritts as Secretary., then in 1951, a fire ordinance was created by the Township of Pohatcong, in order to allow the fire company application to the Relief Association get approved, and

WHEREAS: In 1956, May 8th the Fire Department's first new fire truck a Ward LaFrance was delivered, and new communications equipment was purchased. The equipment consisted of a base radio for station 1 as well as mobile radios for truck and 15 plectron units, and

WHEREAS: In 1986, Station 75-2 was dedicated in the Warren Glen section of the

Township, and

WHEREAS: From 1996 to the present, the scope of the fire company has evolved into many tasks and not just the traditional firefighting. The fire company now assist in many services within the Township of Pohatcong. These services include EMS response for all ALS calls, extrication services and traffic control at motor vehicle accidents and water rescue for all waterways within the Township limits. Mutual aid has also become a big part with our neighboring communities due to the issues that volunteer fire departments are dealing with in today society. These tasks are more common today due to the influx of visitors, buildings and traffic that occur throughout the Township. As a fire company, we will be continuing to progress into whatever are the needs for the residents of the Township of Pohatcong and its neighboring communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the New Jersey State Firemen's Association, its Officers and Members do also recognize and congratulate the Huntington Volunteer Company #1 of the Pohatcong Fire Department on the occasion of their 75 years of service to the citizens of Pohatcong

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that a copy of this Resolution is presented to the Huntington Fire Company #1 in recognition of their service and dedication on August 7, 2021,

ATTESTED TO:

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President