

## RESOLUTION

#24-66

### **Calling Upon the Veterans Administration to Create a Community Access Point in Hunterdon County**

**WHEREAS**, the Hunterdon County Commissioner Board recently contacted Congressman Tom Kean and U.S. Senators Cory Booker and Robert Menendez, for their collective help in getting the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to increase access to VA healthcare services within Hunterdon County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has recently opened Community Access Point (CAP) centers in other counties in New Jersey, including Morris County; and

**WHEREAS**, residents currently residing in Hunterdon County must travel nearly an hour to seek care at either Lyons VA Medical Center in Somerset County or the Vet Center Outstation that recently opened in Hackettstown in Warren County; and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a CAP in Hunterdon County has been a major priority for veterans-based organizations in Hunterdon County including the VFW and American Legion; and

**WHEREAS**, to help facilitate the establishment of a CAP in Hunterdon County, the Commissioner Board is willing to provide office space free of charge to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Borough of Stockton does hereby support the Hunterdon County Commissioner Board's call for the creation of a VA Community Access Point in Hunterdon County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to Congressman Tom Kean and U.S. Senators Cory Booker and Robert Menendez.

**Certification:**

I, Laurie A. Courter, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Stockton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton on June 20, 2024.

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Laurie A. Courter, RMC

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Borough this

20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024

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