

RESOLUTION 2015- 133

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A-2704**

WHEREAS, The Township of Ocean is vigorously committed to supporting all men and women that serve our country; and

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Ocean denounces any individual falsely representing themselves as a veteran or member of the military for the purpose of obtaining money, property or another benefit by wearing the uniform or any medal or insignia authorized for use by the members or veterans of the United Armed Forces or the organized militia; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill A-2704 introduces the New Jersey Stolen Valor Act, that would make false statement representing oneself as a recipient of any decoration or medal of the United States Armed Forces, or organized militia for the purpose of obtaining money, property or another benefit a crime of the third degree, with a mandatory minimum fine of \$1,000; and

WHEREAS, fines collected under the New Jersey Stolen Valor Act would be dedicated to the Military Dependents Scholarship Fund, to be established by Assembly Bill No. 2489 and Senate Bill 1812 currently pending before the Legislature; providing college scholarships to the spouses and children of those killed, missing in action or disabled in Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Eduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean strongly supports A-2704; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be made available to Governor Chris Christie, the New Jersey State Legislature, the Ninth Legislative District and Ocean County Municipalities.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, Diane B. Ambrosio, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean at their regular meeting held on the 12th day of February 2015 in the Municipal Complex, 50 Railroad Avenue, Waretown New Jersey.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Municipal Clerk