

RESOLUTION 2015-182

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF APRIL
AS "MINORITY AND MULTICULTURAL HEALTH MONTH"**

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department joins the New Jersey Department of Health Office of Minority and Multicultural Health in the celebration of Minority and Multicultural Health Month during the month of April with the theme for 2015 "Prevention is Power: Taking Action for Health Equality!" and

WHEREAS, health equity is an attainment of the highest level of health for all people; and

WHEREAS, each April, Minority and Multicultural Health is celebrated encouraging all community partners and faith-based organizations to join in promoting minority and multicultural health that promote healthy lifestyles including programs that promote prevention screenings, healthy eating and meal preparation, gardening and exercise; and

WHEREAS, chronic diseases such as obesity, diabetes, high cholesterol, hypertension, and heart problems, which are preventable, affect disproportionately the ethnic and minority populations in the county; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department will continue to offer its LIVE HEALTHY OCEAN COUNTY program at various sites within Ocean County in addition to screening programs including blood pressure and osteoporosis screening, Mobile Stroke Risk Assessment Program, and Medication Management programs at various locations throughout Ocean County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health hereby proclaims April 2015 as Minority and Multicultural Health Month by promoting healthy lifestyles to all Ocean County residents in realizing that good health should be attained by all residents of all races and socioeconomic status by offering free screenings on blood pressure, osteoporosis, stroke risk assessment, medication management and nutrition education in helping to promote good health for all.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Mayors of participating municipalities and the Ocean County Health Department Faith-Based Initiative.

CERTIFICATION

I, Diane B. Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on the 23rd day of April 2015.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Municipal Clerk