



# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, the month of April has been designated National Volunteer Month, a month dedicated to recognizing the importance of volunteering and honoring the significant contributions volunteers make by generously donating their time and talents to worthy causes; and*

*WHEREAS, last year, more than 65 million Americans gave their time in service to our nation, which is a testament to the compassion and generosity of the American spirit; and*

*WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung is well-known for its spectacular volunteer spirit and a large measure of Watchung's strength, beauty and unique character is derived from the outstanding contributions made by hundreds of residents who volunteer in every facet of everyday life, and play a vital role in many organizations and groups; and*

*WHEREAS, Watchung commemorates volunteerism by recognizing its many valued community service members at the annual Community Picnic each May; and*

*WHEREAS, Watchung believes that government alone cannot meet all of our borough's needs, so we partner with businesses, faith-based organizations, non-profit organizations, foundations and individuals who serve our community to make a difference; and*

*WHEREAS, Watchung is committed to encouraging volunteerism and service among its employees, citizens, partners, businesses and organizations and thank all volunteers and emergency responders in Watchung for their time and talents to provide a great service to those in need; and*

*WHEREAS, volunteering and civic engagement are the cornerstone of a strong borough.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Ronald Jubin, Mayor of the Borough of Watchung, along with Members of the Council, do hereby proclaim April 2024 as*

## *National Volunteer Month*

*and urge my fellow residents to volunteer in the annual Operation Pride event to be held Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and to recognize, support and commend the positive impact of volunteerism.*

*Ronald Jubin, Ph.D. Mayor*  
*April 4, 2024*