



Proclamation

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2026, the Borough of Watchung will proudly celebrate its 100th anniversary, a century of community, resilience, and shared heritage as an integral part of this great nation; and

WHEREAS, Watchung has grown from its roots as a rural farming community into a vibrant Borough known for its natural beauty, historic landmarks, and strong sense of civic pride; and

WHEREAS, as Americans and as Watchung residents, we honor the traditions of patriotism, volunteerism, and neighborly spirit that bind us together as one people; and

WHEREAS, On the eve of our 99th anniversary of May 23, 2025, I Ronald Jubin, Mayor of the Borough of Watchung recognize the civic responsibility and opportunity for properly recognizing and commemorating this important anniversary by the formation of an ad hoc Watchung Centennial Committee, and

WHEREAS, I have selected Michael Departo as my Co-Chair and Susan Tucker as Vice-Chair who have graciously accepted these roles to provide leadership and coordination functions, and

WHEREAS, celebrating all the greatness of Watchung's accomplishments is far too much for a small group of committee members, I call upon all residents, past and present to come forth with your ideas, time, and passion to not just witness, but to be active participants in the many activities and events we will hold in 2026.

Now therefore, I, Ronald Jubin, Mayor of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, along with Members of the Council, do hereby proclaim the Importance of the Observance of Watchung's 100th anniversary and the valuable role of volunteerism with the formation of the

Watchung Centennial Committee

and encourage residents to come together, in the spirit of harmony and patriotism, celebrating not only how far we have come but also the promise of the years ahead. As we reflect on the sacrifices of those who came before us, let us renew our commitment to the values that make both America and Watchung extraordinary.

Ronald Jubin, Ph.D. Mayor
May 22, 2025