



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION 22-184

SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS NO. 31 INCREASING THE PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION FOR VETERANS TO \$1,000.00 AND BASE FUTURE DEDUCTIONS ON ANNUAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES

WHEREAS, Monmouth County is home to a veteran population in the State of New Jersey with over 40,000 Veterans; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey residents suffer from the highest property taxes in the Country; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, adopted in 1947, provides a property tax deduction to Veterans who were honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active service in time of war; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution was amended in 1999 to provide eligible honorably discharged United States Armed Forces Veterans with a fixed \$250.00 property tax deduction; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans property tax deduction has not increased since 2003; and

WHEREAS, Assemblyman Ronald S. Dancer has introduced Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 31 proposing a constitutional amendment to increase the Veterans property tax deduction; and

WHEREAS, the proposed constitutional amendment would increase the fixed annual property tax deduction for New Jersey Veterans from \$250.00 to \$1,000.00 with future deductions to be based on the annual Consumer Price Index increase, and rounded to the next highest multiple of \$1.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands supports the efforts of Assemblyman Dancer and urges the New Jersey Legislature to increase the annual property tax deduction for New Jersey veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, that we hereby support Assembly Concurrent Resolutions No. 31, which would increase the property tax deduction for veterans to \$1,000.00 and base future deductions on annual Consumer Price Index increases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk shall forward a certified true copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of New Jersey; Lieutenant Governor of the State of New Jersey; the President of the New Jersey State Senate; the Speaker of the General Assembly; the New Jersey State Legislature; the members of the Monmouth County Legislative Delegation; New Jersey League of Municipalities; all County Boards of County Commissioners and the Mayor and Council of all towns within the County of Monmouth.

Motion to Approve R 22-184:

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	RECUSE	ABSENT
CERVANTES						
CHELAK						
MELNYK						
OLSZEWSKI						
BROULLON						

This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

DATE OF VOTE: August 17, 2022

Nancy Tran, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Highlands