

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-**

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ADOPTION OF U.S. SENATE BILL NO.  
495 EXPANDING VETERANS' OPTIONS FOR LONG TERM CARE**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown (the "Township") supports efforts to assist our nation's veterans for their service to our country; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. 495 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") to implement a three-year pilot program to assess the effectiveness of providing assisted living services to eligible veterans, including by assessing the satisfaction of veterans participating in the pilot program; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. 495 would classify eligible veterans as those who (1) are eligible for assisted living services as determined by the VA; and (2) are already receiving nursing home level care paid for by the VA, are eligible for such care from the VA, or exceed the requirements for domiciliary care paid for by the VA but do not meet the requirements for nursing home level care paid for by the VA; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. 495 would require the Inspector General of the VA to report to Congress on the pilot program, and the VA must submit a follow-up plan to address any deficiencies that are identified in the report.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that it hereby supports the adoption of U.S. Senate Bill No. 495 to expand long-term care options for eligible veterans.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the offices of Senator Cory Booker, Senator Bob Menendez, Congressman Chris Smith, and Congressman Frank Pallone.