

**PROCLAMATION
BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

WHEREAS, Deborah Gnat was appointed to the Pennington Borough Council in April 2014 to serve an unexpired term, marking the beginning of a decade of dedicated public service to our community; and

WHEREAS, throughout her tenure from 2014 to 2024, Ms. Gnat has served with distinction on numerous vital committees and boards, demonstrating exceptional commitment to the Borough's governance and development; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gnat's service includes membership on the Personnel Committee from 2014-2018, followed by distinguished leadership as Chair of the Personnel Committee from 2019-2023, during which time she spearheaded a comprehensive revamp of the Borough's Personnel Manual; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to community planning and preservation is evidenced by her continuous service on the Planning Board from 2014-2021, including her instrumental role during the Heritage at Pennington Development project; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gnat's dedication to environmental stewardship and community enhancement is demonstrated through her work on the Open Space Committee, where she contributed significantly to the Cemetery Property and Arboretum initiatives; and

WHEREAS, her service record includes representation on numerous municipal bodies, including:

- The Historic Preservation Commission (2014-2018)
- The Economic Development Committee (2014, 2023)
- The Environmental Commission (2014)
- The Library Board (2014, 2024)
- Parks and Recreation (2022)
- The Shade Tree Commission (2024); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gnat brings to her public service more than three decades of distinguished legal experience as Senior Deputy Attorney General for the State of New Jersey, where she specialized in labor and employment law; and

WHEREAS, her expertise in employment law, civil rights, and workplace procedures has proven invaluable in modernizing and strengthening the Borough's personnel policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James M. Davy, Mayor of the Borough of Pennington, do hereby recognize and commend

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for her decade of exemplary public service to the Borough of Pennington, her instrumental role in strengthening our municipal governance, and her unwavering commitment to the betterment of our community through her service on numerous boards and committees from 2014 to 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of Pennington to be affixed this 6th day of January, 2025.

James M. Davy
Mayor, Borough of Pennington