

PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF PENNINGTON
In Memory and Honor of Edwin Weed Tucker

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker, born in Quincy, Massachusetts on August 11, 1935, made Pennington Borough his home from 1956 until his passing at the age of 91, a lifetime devoted to this community; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker earned his Bachelor of Arts from Hobart College in 1958 and shared 67 years of marriage with Beverly Sutton Tucker, a graduate of Westminster Choir College, together raising two sons and welcoming beautiful grandchildren into a life defined by partnership and service; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker served the United States Army as an overseas correspondent in Korea and as editor of the award-winning First Cavalry Division newspaper, "The Cavalier," carrying the discipline of that service into a career as a reporter for The Princeton Packet and, alongside his wife Bev, into a lifelong commitment to public service beginning in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker was first elected Mayor of Pennington Borough in 1976, and in his four years in that office was instrumental in building the Borough sewer system, reconstructing the Borough water tower, upgrading the Borough water lines, and revising the zoning Master Plan -- the foundational work of a town built to last; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker rose through the ranks of The Packet from reporter to second in command, served as executive secretary of the New Jersey Press Association beginning in 1976, founded Edwin W. Tucker & Associates in 1991, and joined the faculty of the Lawrenceville School in 1994, never wavering in each of these roles from his commitment to civic duty and open government; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker returned to public office in 2003 and was elected to the Borough Council for four consecutive terms, where his deep and irreplaceable knowledge of local history gave context and wisdom to the Borough's decisions; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker served on every Council Committee during his tenure and chaired, with distinction, the Public Safety Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Community Relations Committee for many years; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker gave of himself to Pennington and the greater Hopewell Valley through the Pennington Centennial Committee, the Pennington 125th Anniversary Committee, the Pennington Day Committee, the Friends of the Pennington Public Library, the Hopewell Valley Historical Society (a Charter member since 1975), the Pennington Business & Professional Association, and the Senior Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Edwin Weed Tucker was, at the time of his passing, Vice President of the Hopewell Valley Veterans Association, and stood as a lifelong champion of Emergency Services and of the Hopewell Valley September 11th and Emergency Services Memorial, ensuring this community never forgets what it owes to those who protect it; and

WHEREAS, the life of Edwin Weed Tucker stands as a model of what one person's steady, sustained devotion can build within a community -- in its infrastructure, its institutions, its memory, and its people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT, I, James M. Davy, Mayor of the Borough of Pennington, together with the Council, do hereby honor and forever remember the life, legacy, and accomplishments of Mr. Edwin "Weed" Tucker, and extend to his family our deepest gratitude and heartfelt condolences on this 8th day of September, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED THAT, in his honor, the flags of the Borough of Pennington, shall be flown at half-staff.

Given this 8th day of September 2026, in Pennington, New Jersey.

James M. Davy, Mayor Borough of Pennington
