

TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the State of New Jersey will honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to declare that we as a country must do more to reduce gun violence; and

WHEREAS, every day, 100 Americans are killed by gun violence and countless others are wounded, Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed with guns than people in other high-income countries, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is among a legislator's highest responsibilities, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens; and


WHEREAS, June 2019 would have marked the 22nd birthday of Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager who marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade and was tragically shot and killed just weeks later; and

WHEREAS, to help honor Hadiya and the 100 Americans whose lives are cut short and the countless others who are wounded by gun violence every day;

WHEREAS, by wearing orange and commemorating National Gun Violence Awareness Day on June 7, Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives and lost human potential of Americans stolen by gun violence; and

WHEREAS, Rockaway Township, will renew the commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all that this community can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL PUZIO, Mayor of the Township of Rockaway proclaim, **June 7th 2019 National Gun Violence Awareness Day** of Central Morris County. I encourage all citizens to support community efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value all human lives.


MAYOR MICHAEL PUZIO
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