

**TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today, and

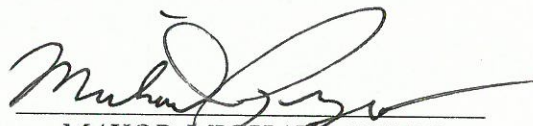
WHEREAS, their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November, as National American Indian Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational, and historical activities have been planned;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Puzio, Mayor of Rockaway Township, do hereby proclaim November as the National American Indian Heritage Month, in Rockaway Township, and urge all our citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

PROCLAIMED this 1st day of November 2020.


MAYOR MICHAEL PUZIO
November 2020

