

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE March 1, 2022

AMENDED

NUMBER 138-2022

TITLE: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2022 AS IRISH AMERICANS MONTH IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP (Submitted by Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten & South Ward Councilmember Jamie Summer-Johnson)

WHEREAS, generations of Irishmen and women have helped shape the idea of America, overcoming hardship and strife through strength and sacrifice, faith and family; and

WHEREAS, with an undying belief that tomorrow always yields a brighter day, Irish Americans symbolize the perpetual optimism that defines our country, and they have long embodied the truth at the heart of our promise -- that no matter who you are or where you come from, in America, you can make it if you try; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the Irish people's contributions to our cities dynamism, and we reaffirm the friendship and family ties between our two nations; and

WHEREAS, for centuries, sons and daughters of Erin have come to America's shores, adding to our rich vibrancy and putting their full hearts into everything they do; and

WHEREAS, from building our country's cities as preeminent architects and earnest laborers to building our national character as people of great joy and cherished culture, Irish Americans have endured intolerance and discrimination to find a place for themselves and their children here in the City of Orange Township and the United States; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that while remembering the great Irish Americans of the past, we celebrate what forms the foundation of the lasting Irish-American story -- a shared embrace of hard work and humility, fairness and dignity, and a mutual quest to secure a freer and more peaceful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township do recognize March 2022 as National Irish American Day in the City of Orange Township.

Adopted: **March 1, 2022**

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Kerry J. Coley
Council President