

**DEDICATION OF THE “JOHN SWEENEY RECYCLING CENTER”**

**WHEREAS**, John Sweeney served the Borough of Middlesex from 1972 to 2021 in various capacities as a Life Member of the Rescue Squad, Volunteer Recycling Coordinator, Mayor’s Liaison to the Green Brook Flood Control Commission, Member of the Joint Land Use Board and also as a Council Member; and

**WHEREAS**, John Sweeney brought respect, honor, and integrity to the Borough of Middlesex by exhibiting the highest level of ethics and maintaining a superior moral character; and

**WHEREAS**, John Sweeney’s unwavering commitment, willingness and ability to understand and respond to the concerns of the people of Middlesex, made a substantial contribution to the betterment of the Borough of Middlesex; and

**WHEREAS**, John Sweeney began the Recycling Program in Middlesex Borough in the early 1980’s when he met with the late Mayor Dobies and got the program up and running by getting a donation of 6 drums for the center and once they were filled he would transport them to the recycling substation in Piscataway; and

**WHEREAS**, As the years went by, the Recycling Center became self-sustaining and the Borough purchased a recycling truck for curbside pickup, which was done by the Borough DPW employees; and

**WHEREAS**, John Sweeney became the unofficial Recycling Coordinator for the Borough as a volunteer, and once retired became the Recycling Coordinator for Middlesex County, and Middlesex Borough became a model for other municipalities to start their own Recycling Centers and curbside pickup; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, I John L. Madden, Mayor of Middlesex Borough, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, along with the Middlesex Borough Council and on behalf of the residents of Middlesex, wish to recognize John Sweeney for his time-honored legacy of dedication, enthusiasm and outstanding public service given to the Middlesex community and the establishment of the Middlesex Borough Recycling Center and hereby dedicate this center to be known as the “John Sweeney Recycling Center”.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and the seal of the Borough of Middlesex to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Linda Chismar, Borough Clerk

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Mayor John L. Madden

