NEW MILFORD ALCOHOL & DRUG AWARENESS MEMORIAL (A.D.A.M) DAY

WHEREAS, twenty-five years ago the Borough of New Milford tragically lost one of its residents to a drunk driver. Before and since then, there have been other residents of New Milford who have been lost as a result of the dangers associated with alcohol and drugs.

WHEREAS, Adam Roth was a resident of New Milford, a former student and athlete of New Milford High School and was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa while attending Rider University; and

WHEREAS, 2019 marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of his death which has sparked the creation of New Milford's first Alcohol & Drug Awareness Memorial (A.D.A.M); and

WHEREAS, the New Milford Municipal Alliance Against Alcohol & Drugs has partnered with family and friends of Adam Roth as well as other organizations within and outside of our community; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this Alcohol & Drug Awareness Memorial (A.D.A.M) is to honor the memory of Adam Roth and others who have been lost over time and to spread education to the general public about the dangers associated with alcohol and drugs; and

WHEREAS, alcohol and drug use and abuse are a reality in the Borough of New Milford, throughout the State of New Jersey and across our nation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of New Milford is committed to working with residents, the Municipal Alliance Against Alcohol & Drugs, the New Milford Police and New Jersey Law Enforcement Against Drugs (L.E.A.D.), the New Milford School District, county, state and federal government, and all appropriate organizations in supporting individuals, family members, friends, allies and other supporters in overcoming the stigma of alcohol and drug addiction, recovery and loss;

WHEREAS, the Borough of New Milford wishes to honor the memories of those who have been lost and recognize the grief shared by family and friends; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Putrino, Mayor of the Borough of New Milford, recognize that on this day, our communities first *Alcohol & Drug Awareness Memorial* (A.D.A.M.) will take place at Hardcastle Pond; and

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Sunday, October 27, 2019 as *Alcohol & Drug Awareness Memorial Day in the Borough of New Milford* and urge all residents to honor the memories of all who have been lost in our community, bring peace to family and friends and to help spread awareness about the dangers of alcohol and drugs.

Michael J. Putrino, Mayor	Date	