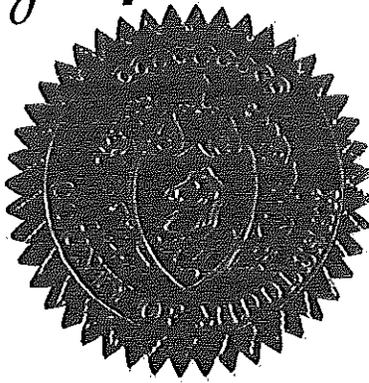


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WHEREAS since 1993, there are over 2,800 local CERT programs nationwide with over 600,000 individuals; and

WHEREAS the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations; and

WHEREAS Middlesex County has over 400 CERT members within 12 municipal teams; and

WHEREAS CERT offers a consistent nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations which allows them to focus on more complex tasks; and

WHEREAS Municipal CERT programs within Middlesex County meet monthly to improve the lives of residents in Middlesex County with a mission of education, hands on training, realistic exercises and networking; and

WHEREAS CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site;

WHEREAS CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD G. RIOS, DIRECTOR of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Middlesex County, do hereby proclaim the week of June 3 through 8, 2019 as

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM in MIDDLESEX COUNTY

and recognize and thank the volunteers in Middlesex County for their continuous help in the community.

Adopted: June 6, 2019

Amy R. Petrocelli

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