

Proclamation

March 26, 2024

Honoring Thomas Salvas

WHEREAS, Tom Salvas has a long history of service to the Township of Chatham and the Chatham Community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas has worked with fellow residents in many capacities including the Mayors Wellness Campaign Advisory Committee, Historical Society, Library of the Chathams and many different iterations and organizations of the Township Committee and Chatham Township municipal staff; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas is a member and past trustee of the Historical Society of Chatham Township, having documented a great deal of history in the Chathams directly on video, with audio recordings and through photographs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas collaborated on the planning and implementation of three historical markers erected in our Township, and also part of the critical production team for the Chatham Colony Association Centennial event; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas is a United States Air Force veteran who served on active duty and reserve assignments with the rank of Captain in the United States and Germany; and


WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas is one of the creators of the Veterans Project of the Chathams which is a biographical collection of local veterans on video, available on demand in an archive maintained by the Library of the Chathams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas was the driving force behind the effort to share meetings live on video over several years, from concept to actual launch in 2009, and continued to serve as producer for a decade; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as the Government Access TV Manager, Mr. Salvas produced 225 Township Committee meetings over 10 years, as well as more than 70 Board of Education meetings prior to 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvas is generous with his own funds and resources, quick to provide personal equipment, expertise and his valuable time, and does it all with a smile that leads his signature kind manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stacey Ewald, as Mayor of Chatham Township, present to Thomas Salvas a Chatham Township Citizen Award in recognition of his various contributions to the Chatham Community is a variety of service roles.



Stacey Ewald, Mayor