



PROCLAMATION

Proclamation Honoring Senator Kip Batman Upon His Retirement From the New Jersey Senate

WHEREAS, Senator Christopher 'Kip' Bateman has served Hunterdon County communities in the New Jersey Senate with great distinction since 2012 and is retiring from his long and accomplished career in legislative service on January 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Senator Bateman has served the public with great devotion, integrity, and honor in local, county, and state elected offices for nearly four decades; and

WHEREAS, the people of Hunterdon County, the 16th Legislative District, and the State of New Jersey have benefited greatly from the Senator Bateman's leadership and commitment to the public interest, as well as his tireless advocacy for his constituents; and

WHEREAS, key legislative initiatives promoted by Senator Bateman are far too numerous to list in this Proclamation, but include the anti-hazing law named for the late Timothy Piazza of Readington Township, laws that supported the environment and clean water, provided funding for the preservation of open space and farmland throughout the state, and reduced auto insurance premium costs; and


WHEREAS, Senator Bateman's commitment to the public extends beyond his service in elected office to include serving numerous non-profit organizations and causes, including the Special Olympics of New Jersey, the United Way Board of Trustees, the Wellness Community Board of Trustees and the Washington Campgrounds Association; and

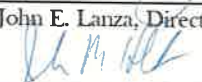
WHEREAS, this Board particularly recognizes Senator Bateman's service as a Somerset County Freeholder for six years, including a term as Director of the Board, experience which we believe served to provide him with exceptional insight and understanding in aid of his public service career; and

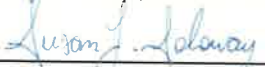
WHEREAS, Senator Bateman has benefited throughout his career from the love and support of his wife Susan and children; Christopher, Jr., Joseph, Stephanie and Kate,


Now Therefore, Be It Proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that Senator Kip Bateman is thanked and recognized for his dedicated public service to the people of Hunterdon County, the 16th Legislative District, and the State of New Jersey, and **Be It Further Proclaimed**, that the Hunterdon County Board of Commissioners sincerely wish Senator Bateman much happiness and success in all his future endeavors.

On behalf of the Board of County Commissioners,


John E. Lanza, Director


J. Matthew Holt, Commissioner


Susan J. Soloway, Commissioner


Zachary T. Rich Deputy Director


Shaun C. Van Doren, Commissioner

Adopted: January 04, 2022