TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN

BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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The Mayor and Committee of Bordentown Township were deeply disturbed and saddened about the conditions surrounding the indictment and arrest of former Police Chief Frank Nucera. As has been the case from the beginning, the Township will cooperate with all authorities in order to bring justice to this situation. It is the Township's hope that all residents agree that these allegations do not represent us as a community. The Mayor, Committee, and Staff of the Township will continue to work diligently on improving the, health, safety, quality of life, and welfare of all our residents, businesses, visitors, friends and neighbors.

In addition to the official statements from the United States Attorney and the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office, Mayor Steve Benowitz offered the statement below regarding this issue.

Statement from Steve Benowitz, Mayor, Bordentown Township

"The Township appreciates the comments by the U.S. Attorney and Burlington County Prosecutor, which reinforced what we already knew; that these charges are limited to one person, and are not indicative of the Bordentown Township Police Department, or the Township as a whole. The specifics of the charges, all of which we are hearing and reading for the first time, are abhorrent, and the Township fully supports the U.S. Attorney in this process.

It is important to note that these charges began from a self-reported complaint from within the Township Police Department. The Township has moved forward with new leadership that promotes community, inclusion, and equality. All residents, businesses, and visitors can be assured that all Township services, including public safety, are operating at the high level that they have come to expect. While this specific situation casts a negative light on one former employee, the Township fully intends on continuing our positive community relationships and outreach."