

*Office of the Mayor  
Township of Bordentown  
Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, minority-owned businesses contribute greatly to our economy and the richness of our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize minority entrepreneurs and continue to commit ourselves to fostering an environment where everyone can attain the American Dream; and

**WHEREAS**, minority business owners across the country are working hard to achieve their goals and are vital contributors to our Nation's prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize and celebrate the achievements of minority-owned businesses and continue to encourage participation in programs that honor their contributions namely, Black History Programs, that impact the expansion of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Commerce on March 5, 1969 created the Minority Business Development Agency, (MBDA), which is a federal agency that has been instrumental in fostering growth and our Nation's minority-owned businesses; and in 1969 nationally there were 300,00 minority businesses and currently there are more than 11 million; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minority Business Development Agency, especially during the Covid-19 pandemic, continues the tradition of commemorating these businesses and in 2020 is hosting a National MED Week with a series of Virtual Events.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, I, Steve Benowitz, Mayor, of the Township of Bordentown, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim August as the **Minority Entrepreneur Development Month** and commend the well-deserved accomplishments that the minority businesses in our community have demonstrated.



*Steve Benowitz*  
**STEVE BENOWITZ**  
**MAYOR**