

BOROUGH OF RED BANK

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION NO. 12-69

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING NUMA SAISSELIN ON HIS
10TH ANNIVERSARY AS CEO OF COUNT BASIE THEATRE**

Councilman Murphy offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Numa Saisselin has an extensive background in all aspects of the theater industry and has spent the last decade at the helm of our own Count Basie Theatre; and

WHEREAS, Numa came to the Basie from the CSI Center for the Arts, a five-theater complex on the campus of the City University of New York's College of Staten Island and previously served as the Executive Director of the Paramount Center for the Arts in Westchester County, New York; and

WHEREAS, he put himself through music school working as a stage hand with thoughts of becoming a high school band director and taught music to special education students while continuing to work as a stage hand when he discovered the field of Arts Administration; and

WHEREAS, Numa has served as a fund raising consultant for Circle of Dance Repertory and Cartoon Opera, business management and grants writer for Friends of the Arts, Technical Director of the Harry Chapin Rainbow Stage in Huntington, New York, host and producer of C.W. Post College Public Radio's "American Music Masters" series and as a grants panelist for several organizations including New York State Council on the Arts, the New York Foundation for the Arts and the Rockefeller Foundation just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, he came to the Count Basie Theatre in January of 2002 and under his guidance the theatre has increased its donor base exponentially, its annual number of visitors has grown from 30,000 ten years ago to about 200,000 today, the number of shows produced by the Theatre has gone from a couple per year to more than 100 bringing the total annual offerings to 300 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank to commend and congratulate Numa Saisselin on his tenth anniversary as CEO of the Count Basie Theatre and, on behalf the residents of the Borough of Red Bank, thank him for his dedication to this jewel of our community and wish him good luck, health and happiness for the future.

Seconded by Councilwoman Lee and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Lewis	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Zipprich	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. DuPont	()	()	()	(x)
Ms. Horgan	(x)	()	()	()
Ms. Lee	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Murphy	(x)	()	()	()

Dated: March 28, 2012