

BOROUGH OF RED BANK

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION NO. 11-47

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MOST WORSHIPFUL HERBERT M. DOUGLAS

Ms. Lee offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Herbert M. Douglas was the fifth of eight children born to the late Brantley E., Sr. and Ella P.V. Douglas on November 10, 1922 in Stockton, Maryland and moved to New Jersey in 1926 where he was educated in the Lakewood School System and later went to work at Fort Dix; and

WHEREAS, in 1942, Mr. Douglas went into the United States Army and after basic training was sent to Texas where he attended Airplane Mechanics School and graduated with a Crew Chief Rating and in World War II was a member of the Tuskegee Airmen and served as Crew Chief to Colonel Benjamin Davis until he was honorably discharged in 1946; and

WHEREAS, he joined Pilgrim Baptist Church after his discharge where he served on the Usher Board for many years, was President of the Men's Club, subsequently transferred to Calvary Baptist Church and also served as Moderator for Red Bank Westside Board of Education meetings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Douglas attended Penn Institute in New York where he took up bricklaying and plan reading and gained employment at Fort Monmouth in 1950 and after a few years became a mason foreman and applied for advancement and soon became supervisor of carpentry, masons, tile setters, packing and crating, tin smiths, roofing and welding; and

WHEREAS, he joined Celestial Lodge No. 36 in Red Bank and served several chairs prior to becoming Worshipful Master from 1967 to 1968 and was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the fourth Masonic District and served in this capacity for eight years and also served two years each as Junior Grand Warden, Senior Grand Warden, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Master of the Most Worshipful grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey and has served in high ranking positions in numerous organizations including serving twenty-five years as Grand Chairman of Registration for the Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter of Holy Royal Arch Masons; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Douglas, with his wife, Edna M. Douglas, is the proud parent of eight children and has a strong desire for proper development of our youth and has been involved in many projects that provide scholarships for high school graduates and has worked hard to continue the New Jersey Council of Deliberation Scholarship Program and increased the amount awarded to recipients over the years; and

WHEREAS, Herbert M. Douglas will be honored at a banquet hosted by the New Jersey Council of Deliberation on February 26, 2011

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Pasquale Menna, Mayor of the Borough of Red Bank and the members of the Red Bank Borough Council do hereby extend our congratulations to Mr. Douglas on his numerous accomplishments and express to him and his family the warmest and best wishes from all of Red Bank's Residents for continuing health and happiness.

Seconded by Mr. Murphy 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: February 28, 2011