

**BOROUGH OF RED BANK
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
RESOLUTION NO. 11-96**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING CHRISTOPHER IPPOLITO ON BEING NAMED
TEACHER OF THE YEAR FOR RED BANK MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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

WHEREAS, Christopher Ippolito received a Bachelor’s degree in Fine Art from Monmouth University and is currently working toward a Master’s degree in Educational Technology at New Jersey City University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ippolito has said he came to teaching through an alternate route having first worked in the music industry at Sony Studios in New York City and more recently as a “nose” for International Flavors and Fragrances and, while he found both jobs rewarding and interesting, he feels nothing compares to the satisfaction of being an educator which he feels was one of the best decisions of his life; and

WHEREAS, in his four years at the Red Bank Middle School, Mr. Ippolito has taught three different courses including one in Photography, Arts and Culture where students learned how to produce professional quality digital video and audio using state-of-the-art software and hardware and all of their numerous interdisciplinary productions went on to place as finalists in international video contests including the 2009 video “2048: A Rock Opera” which took home third place in Sony’s Technology in Motion 2 video contest and won over \$30,000 for the school; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ippolito also teaches AVID, a course that helps “students in the middle” improve their grades through rigor and fosters a college bound mindset and has said he loves observing the students as they gain confidence in their abilities; and

WHEREAS, he is also teaching a new program called Project Lead The Way which focuses on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math and said he was thankful when he was asked to teach the class because he believes technology literacy for our 21st Century learners is as important as Language Arts and it provides him with an opportunity to model his passion for learning, design and the creative process; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his dedication to the children of Red Bank, Mr. Ippolito has been named by the Red Bank Middle School as its Teacher of the Year for 2011 and will be honored on Friday, May 20th at the 2011 Monmouth County Superintendents’ Teacher Recognition/Educational Services Professionals Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank to commend and congratulate Christopher Ippolito on the accomplishment of being named 2011 Teacher of the Year and, on behalf of the citizens of Red Bank, thank him for his dedication to the Borough’s children and express to him the warmest and best wishes for continuing health and happiness.

Seconded by Mr. Zipprich 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: May 11, 2011