## HIGH BRIDGE BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

40 Fairview Avenue, High Bridge, New Jersey 08829

## RESOLUTION REGARDING CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE

Whereas, the High Bridge Borough Board of Education has supported the Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) program and granted approval for CCI canines to train at the High Bridge Elementary School (HBES) with Mrs. Christi Roling, and

Whereas, a very special puppy, Vern, a male lab/golden cross, was born on October 23, 2018 in Santa Rosa, California and became a "puppy in training" for CCI, and

Whereas, Vern began his training at HBES in December, 2018, and was an integral part of the school's activities through August, 2020 when he graduated to the CCI Advanced Training Program to be schooled by professional trainers, and

Whereas, Vern attentively listened to dozens of elementary students read their favorite books to his; created strong bonds with many special students within the school; and was eager to present his unique smile to visitors; therefore, be it

**Resolved,** the Board desires to place this resolution in a place of honor in the elementary school so that future students may know of **Vern's** time at HBES and his eventual service to mankind, and be it

**Finally Resolved,** that this resolution be recorded in the minutes of this public meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of High Bridge on August 10, 2020 and that the resolution become part of the permanent and lasting record of the High Bridge Board of Education.

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Cynthia Sharkey, Board President

Gregory Hobaugh, Superintendent

John Jennings, Board Secretary