

## ***PROCLAMATION***

WHEREAS it has come to the attention of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Middlesex that the number of individuals in the United States who are homeless continues to increase and many more are at risk; and

WHEREAS the conditions endured by homeless individuals bring constant challenges that are also impacted by weather conditions and many die from exposure to heat and cold; and

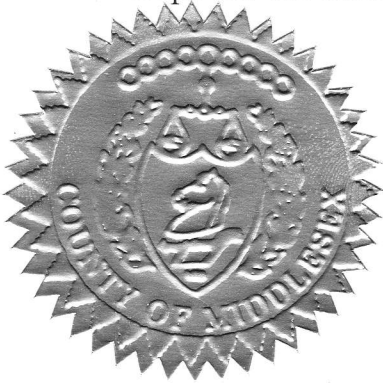
WHEREAS, beginning in 1990, Homeless Persons' Memorial Day was established to honor the lives of more than 3,200 in the United States and particularly those in our community who have passed away without housing or shelter and remember them each year on the first day of Winter.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHEN J. DALINA, DIRECTOR of the BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX do hereby proclaim

December 21, 2009 as  
Homeless Persons' Memorial Day in Middlesex County

and ask our residents to participate in our local candlelight ceremony at Monument Square in New Brunswick to remember those lives lost, the estimated 550 homeless in Middlesex County each night and show our commitment to providing hope for the future.

  
Margaret E. Pemberton, Clerk of the Board



  
**STEPHEN J. DALINA, DIRECTOR**  
*Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders*

Adopted: December 17, 2009