

RESOLUTION 2026 – 02

RESOLUTION OF THE OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, URGING LEGISLATION IMPOSING STATE REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COST OF DISABLED VETERANS' TOTAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, a resident disabled veteran who served in the “theater of war” is afforded a total exemption from property taxation under State law; and

WHEREAS, upon determination of eligibility, and proof of same, 100% disabled veterans is given a tax exemption by his resident municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Mayors' Association believe that military service to protect our Country shall be recognized and therefore agrees with the rights of the exemption being bestowed upon such veterans; and

WHEREAS, such exemptions are unfunded mandates, wherein a municipality is required to make up the lost revenue from this exemption, which typically results in the increase of taxation for the non-disabled veteran residents of the town; and

WHEREAS, previously proposed legislation required the State to reimburse municipalities the cost of a disabled veteran's property tax exemption, to account for the full reimbursement of taxes lost, as the program and requirements comes from the State; and

WHEREAS, such legislation would restore much needed tax monies to municipalities while maintaining the tax breaks for those who served and are deserving of such relief; and

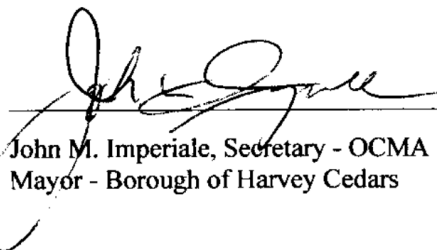
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Ocean County Mayors' Association to go on record as urging its legislators to draft and enact similar legislation, leading to the reinstatement of taxes lost through the total disabled veterans tax exemption and further implores the Governor to sign same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Officers and the Membership of the Ocean County Mayors' Association, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Executive Officers and the Membership of the Ocean County Mayors' Association hereby formally urge legislation imposing State reimbursement of the cost of disabled veterans' total property exemption to each disabled veteran resident municipality.
2. The Executive Officers and the Membership of the Ocean County Mayors' Association respectfully urge the Governor of the State of New Jersey, so sign legislation leading to the reinstatement of taxes lost through the total disabled veterans tax exemption.
3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to all County of Ocean Mayor's, all Ocean County Board of Commissioners, members of the 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 30th Legislative Districts, State of New Jersey Governor Sherrill.

CERTIFICATION

I, John M. Imperiale, Secretary of the Ocean County Mayors' Association, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Ocean County Mayors' Association at their regular meeting held on June 17, 2026.


John M. Imperiale, Secretary - OCMA
Mayor - Borough of Harvey Cedars