

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2009

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING A NEW CHAPTER
ENTITLED "HARRISON TOWNSHIP VETERANS COMMISSION"
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison deem it in the best interest of the Township to establish a new Chapter of the Code of the Township of Harrison entitled "Harrison Township Veterans Commission".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of same as follows:

This Ordinance creates a new Chapter of the Township of Harrison Code as entitled:

HARRISON TOWNSHIP VETERANS COMMISSION

§ xxx-1. Establishment.

A commission is hereby established in Harrison Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey, to be known as the "Harrison Township Veterans Commission."

§ xxx-2. Purpose.

The purposes of this Commission are to serve as a conduit and foster cooperation between Township veterans and local government; promote veteran's rights; to recommend and arrange for appropriate ceremonies honoring veterans on holidays or otherwise; to assist, advise and promote the maintenance of the Township Memorials; to cooperate with the county, state and federal veterans agencies so as to provide better service to veterans who are residents of the Township of Harrison; and provide such studies and reports as may be requested by the Township Committee.

§ xxx-3. Membership; terms.

The Commission shall consist of five (5) members. One (1) member shall be a member of the Township Committee, appointed by a majority of the governing body. The remaining four (4) members shall be residents of Harrison Township who are veterans of the armed services of the United States, including the Reserves and the New Jersey National Guard and/or the United States Merchant Marines. Except for the Township Committee Member, Members of the Commission shall serve two (2) year terms, except that, upon creation of this Commission, in order to create staggered terms, two (2) members shall serve for a one (1) year term each, and two (2) members shall serve a two (2) year term each.

§ xxx-4. Compensation; payment of expenses.

The members of the Commission shall receive no salary or stipend. Expenses of the activities of the Commission shall be approved by the governing body before the expenses are incurred and shall be paid by the governing body.

§ xxx-5. Limited Authority.

The Commission may not incur any debt or contract for any goods in the name of Harrison Township. It is not intended that, nor shall the Commission be a sub-agency of the Township Committee. The Commission shall possess no aspect of policy or role-making authority for the Township.

§ xxx-6. Severability.

Should any section, clause, sentence, phrase or provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

§ xxx-7. Repealer.

All prior Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

§ xxx-8. When effective.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON

BY: _____
LOUIS F. MANZO, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DIANE L. MALLOY, Municipal Clerk

INTRO: APR 6 2009
ADOPT: APR 20 2009

NOTICE

The Ordinance published herein was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, held on April 6, 2009. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing hereon, at a meeting of said Mayor and Committee to be held in the Township's Municipal Building, 114 Bridgeton Pike, Mullica Hill, New Jersey 08062, in the Township, on April 20, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. During the week prior and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said Ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office at the Municipal Building, 114 Bridgeton Pike, in the Township, to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

DIANE L. MALLOY
Municipal Clerk