

Proclamation

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK has been the President of the Friends of Vermeule Mansion for more than 10 years; and

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK, as said President, was instrumental in attaining grants of over \$500,000 for the renovation and restoration of the Mansion; and

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK chaired and ran the Haunting of Vermeule for the last eleven (11) years bringing children and families to the Mansion for a night of fun while raising over \$45,000; and

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK, with the help of the Friends and other organizations has renovated the entire Mansion; and

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK has spent many hours taking down and putting up walls, scouring tiles, repairing windows and doors, painting, cleaning and laying floors and putting in stairs, donating twelve (12) years of work to this effort; and

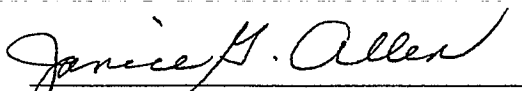
WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK is currently implementing a program, whereby artists of various disciplines can teach and practice their skills in the Mansion, making the Mansion a cultural center for our Borough; and

WHEREAS: BOB HITCHCOCK has been the lead person in the renovation and restoration of the Mansion, implementing ideas, raising funds and doing much of the renovation work himself.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Janice G. Allen, Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield, do hereby commend and thank

BOB HITCHCOCK

for his commitment and dedication to the Vermeule Mansion and our Borough. His achievements have preserved one of our Borough's historic treasures while building community spirit and educating our residents. He is an excellent example of a tireless worker and committed volunteer for our Borough.


Janice G. Allen, Mayor
Presented: May 18, 2008



Proclamation

WHEREAS: *NICK CIAMPA* has been the curator and director of the Fleetwood Museum of Art and Photographica since the inception of the museum, in 1985, over 23 years ago; and

WHEREAS: the museum is housed in the Vermeule Mansion and is the most extensive display of cameras outside the Kodak Museum in Rochester, New York; and

WHEREAS: *NICK CIAMPA* designed and furnished the museum while also having provided seminars and having changed its many displays; and

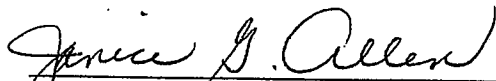
WHEREAS: *NICK CIAMPA* has continually dedicated his time, effort and many skills to the preservation of the Vermeule Mansion, working to renovate and maintain the building; and

WHEREAS: *NICK CIAMPA* has organized and maintained the Fleetwood Art and Camera Collection upholding the desires of the Fleetwoods.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, **Janice G. Allen, Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield**, do hereby commend and thank

NICK CIAMPA

for his lifelong commitment to the Vermeule Mansion and our Borough. His achievements have preserved our Borough's history and the history of photography for all our Borough residents to enjoy. He is an excellent example of a dedicated and caring volunteer.



Janice G. Allen, Mayor

Presented: May 18, 2008



Proclamation

WHEREAS: *Public Works* services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' every day lives; and

WHEREAS: the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of the *Public Works* systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets and highways, public buildings and solid waste collection; and

WHEREAS: the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on the facilities and services; and

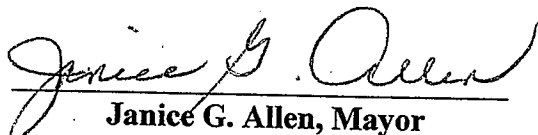
WHEREAS: the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design and construction, is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of *Public Works* officials; and

WHEREAS: the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff *Public Works* Departments is influenced by people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, **Janice G. Allen**, Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield, do hereby proclaim the week of May 18 - 24, 2008 as

"National Public Works Week"

in the Borough of North Plainfield and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our *Public Works* and to recognize the contributions which *Public Works* officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort and quality of life.


Janice G. Allen, Mayor
Presented: May 19, 2008

