

Township of Nutley

County of Essex, New Jersey

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Hereby Issue this Proclamation on April 23, 2018

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford, born on April 23, 1918, is celebrating her 100th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford is a lifelong Nutley resident who resides on Highfield Lane, the same street she was born 100 years ago.

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford is a graduate of Nutley High School and Berkeley School of Secretarial Training. Following graduation, she worked at W.T. Grant in New York City from 1957 to 1992 as Secretary to Mr. Grant, the founder of the company; and

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford met her late husband Stanley Bedford, a lawyer and Superior Court of New Jersey Judge through friends in the local and county Young Republicans Club. Stanley was very supportive of Ruth's growing interest in fundraising and helping charitable organizations in Nutley and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford is a prominent member of the Nutley community, hosting many philanthropic events at her home, including the annual "Lollipop Party" and Nutley Family Service Bureau "September Social" which raise funds to benefit residents in the community; and

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford has served on many Boards: The Nutley Family Service Bureau, where she served as President and in 2013 was named Lifetime Trustee, the Nutley Parkside Apartments, Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan New Jersey, and Offender Aid and Restoration of Essex County. She annually contributes to the Nutley Thriving Survivors, Paper Mill Playhouse, and other national charities; and

WHEREAS, Ruth G. Bedford has been recognized for her many contributions to Nutley and its citizens, including: the "Mattia Distinguished Community Service" Award with her husband Stanley, the Nutley Jaycees "Annual Distinguished Service Award for Civic Affairs", the "Montclair-Glen Ridge-Nutley Chapter of the American Red Cross Annual Comradeship" Award, the "Nutley Educational Foundation" Award and the Nutley-Belleville Columbus Day Parade Committee "Community Excellence Award"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Township honor and congratulate Ruth G. Bedford on her 100th Birthday;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this proclamation be presented to Ruth G. Bedford.