

COUNCIL TRIBUTE NO. 2017-01

A TRIBUTE EXPRESSING SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES UPON THE PASSING OF JOSEPH M. MCDONOUGH

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dover have been greatly saddened by the passing of Joseph M. McDonough, former Mayor and Councilman of the City of Dover, on December 27, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. McDonough served as Councilman from February 10, 1975 to May 12, 1980, and during his tenure served as a member of the Legislative and Finance Committee, the Parks, Playgrounds and Trees Committee, the Safety Advisory Committee, and the Utility Committee. He resigned as Councilman, was elected Mayor of the City of Dover effective May 12,1980, and served in that capacity until May 10, 1982, dedicating his expertise and attention to the complex problems encountered by the City. Under his leadership, the City successfully negotiated three employee contracts, underwent a smooth transition to a new City Manager, and experienced steady, orderly growth; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. McDonough's contributions to the community extended well beyond his service to the City of Dover, as he was a member of Kent County Levy Court for many years; served as President and fundraiser for Mom's House, which provides free childcare for single mothers; and devoted his time, talents, and energy to the building of the new Holy Cross Church; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. McDonough will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and all of those whose lives he has touched.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family and friends of Joseph M. McDonough, and hope that they will be consoled by the memories of his exemplary life and achievements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council direct the City Clerk to place this Tribute in the permanent records of the City of Dover and that a copy of this Tribute be provided to the family of Joseph M. McDonough.

ADOPTED: JANUARY 9, 2017

Robin R. Christiansen

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