

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE
COMMENDING DETECTIVE CORPORAL MARK SMITH ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE
MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2008, Detective Corporal Mark Smith completed his required years of service with the Mount Olive Township Police Department and as such retired on that day while fishing in the Salmon River in Pulaski, New York; and

WHEREAS, Detective Mark Smith began working for the Township of Mount Olive on August 6, 1982. Prior to his service as a police officer here he was Special Officer with the Mount Olive Township Police Department and also served as a police dispatcher; and

WHEREAS, for twenty-five years Detective Mark Smith has unselfishly served the citizens of Morris County in a manner that is beyond reproach; and

WHEREAS, Detective Mark Smith is a dedicated and well trained investigator who developed significant areas of expertise in criminal casework specifically regarding arson investigation but also excelled in crimes against people, robbery, assault, homicide, narcotics investigations, computer crimes, motor vehicle theft, fraud and many other disciplines; and

WHEREAS, Detective Mark Smith became a champion of defense for victims of crimes, especially young victims of abuse, luring and sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, Detective Mark Smith also served the township for many years in a voluntary capacity as a member of the Juvenile Conference Committee; and

WHEREAS, Detective Mark Smith has become the friend of many of our township citizens because of his personal touch and genuine care for their problems; and

WHEREAS, above and beyond Detective Mark Smith's dedicated service he received numerous commendations and also earned two Honorable Service Awards, including one for his investigation of the homicide of Annick Smiton, two Program Development Awards, an Exceptional Duty Award and a Life Saving Award; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career Detective Smith was a truly referent leader who was followed by fellow officers because of his decisive actions, his advanced knowledge and his human kindness; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mount Olive Township and the members of the Mount Olive Township Police have been extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated officer serve them so well for so long.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive that they do hereby congratulate Detective Corporal Mark Smith on in his retirement and wish him health, happiness and fortune in his future endeavors and thank him for his dedicated service and commitment.

Raymond T. Perkins, Council President

I, HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on September 30, 3008.

Lisa M. Lashway, Township Clerk