



## Proclamation

## By The County Executive

## Recognizing the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson

Whereas, the congregation of St. John's Baptist Church gathers in a special celebration on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Mercer Oaks in West Windsor Township to honor the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson as he reaches his 40<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary; and

Whereas, the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson has led St. John's Baptist Church in worship and spiritual life for 40 years, helping the church to grow tremendously during his tenure; and

Whereas, the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson has worked to expand and diversify church ministries to include specialized programs for seniors, women, youth, and families, establishing programs such as an Economic Development Committee, Dial-A-Prayer, Conference Call (for shut-in members), Elementary and High School Tutorial, Men's Fellowship, Bible Class, and Pastor's Orientation Class; and

Whereas, the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson led the effort to create the SJBC Community Development of Ewing, Inc. and a Day Camp, and to complete numerous capital improvements while preparing for expansion of the church in the near future; and

Whereas, the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson has served as President of the Concerned Pastors & Ministers of Trenton and Vicinity, Vice President of the Ewing Township School Board, and member of the Board of Directors of the People to People support group for Africa, National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Baptist Ministers Conference, Middlesex Central Baptist Association, Ewing Clergy, Black Clergy of New Jersey, Harmony Lodge #55, and many other civic and fraternal organizations during his time as Pastor of St. John's Baptist Church,

Now, Therefore, I, Brian M. Hughes, Mercer County Executive, do hereby congratulate the Reverend Vincent H. Jackson on 40 years of extraordinary spiritual leadership at St. John's Baptist Church, and thank him deeply for the many ways in which he enriches the Mercer County community through faith and outreach.

Brian M. Hughes

County Executive