



# PROCLAMATION

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Jack Lentz Day  
February 19, 2010

**WHEREAS:** John A. Lentz, best known as Jack, has been a resident of Middletown Township since his birth on September 19, 1929, and

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**WHEREAS:** Jack Lentz opened his business, Lentz Auto Body, on Main Street in Campbell's Junction after serving in the Korean War. While many businesses have come and gone, Jack and his iconic storefront have remained a well-loved and respected fixture in the Junction for more than five decades. His success can be attributed to many things including a love of his craft, unparalleled body work, a pristine storefront, outstanding customer service, and respect for the environment, and

**WHEREAS:** The American flag has been raised at Lentz Auto Body for 56 years promptly at 8 a.m. every morning and lowered with respect at the close of each day at 5 p.m. Mr. Lentz, who has decided to embark upon a well-deserved retirement, will carry out this patriotic ritual for the last time on February 19, 2010, and

**WHEREAS:** On behalf of Middletown's citizenry, the Middletown Township Committee would like to join Mr. Lentz's family and friends in honoring him for his hard work and steadfast commitment to Middletown's business and civic communities. Now

**THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Gerard P. Scharfenberger and the Middletown Township Committee do hereby proclaim Friday, February 19, 2010 as John A. Lentz Day in Middletown Township in recognition of his innumerable contributions to Middletown Township, to New Jersey and to the United States of America.

We are very proud that you choose to call Middletown your home. We look forward to seeing you cruising around town in your award-winning classic cars!

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Mayor Gerard P. Scharfenberger, Ph. D.