

RESOLUTION NO. 10-26-15-01

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
NORTH PLAINFIELD REMEMBERING MABEL 'SKIP' HANSEN AND
DESIGNATING MABEL 'SKIP' HANSEN WAY**

WHEREAS, MABEL 'SKIP' HANSEN was a Plainfield native and 1946 Plainfield High School graduate, who, with her beloved husband, Harry 'Pete' Hansen, moved to North Plainfield in 1949; and,

WHEREAS, Skip and Pete were admired by their many Warfield Road friends and neighbors. They were blessed in their union with five (5) children and five (5) grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Skip became involved in the civic and school affairs of the Borough of North Plainfield. She was the West End Elementary School secretary for twenty six (26) years and an active member of the North Plainfield Education Association, serving on many committees, as well as an officer and delegate to four (4) National Education Association Conventions; and,

WHEREAS, Skip participated in the West End Parent Teacher Association, the Washington Rock Pop Warner Football Parents Association, the North Plainfield High School Music Parents and the North Plainfield Girl Scouts; and,

WHEREAS, Skip served on the North Plainfield Borough Council for eight (8) years from 1985 through 1992, for two (2) years as President of the Council and the Board of Health, as Chairperson of the Plainfield Joint Meeting, Chairperson of the Planning Board, Chairperson, Secretary and/or Treasurer of the Recreation Advisory Committee for thirty

(30) years and as Secretary to the Environmental Commission and through membership on various boards and committees, including the Library Advisory Board, the Rent Stabilization Board, the Local Assistance Board and the Green Brook Flood Control Commission; and,

WHEREAS, Skip served as Chairperson of the Borough's Green Acres Commission as a powerful advocate for Open Space and was instrumental in securing the Vermeule Mansion property and Green Acres Park as Green Acres Open Space for the Borough. She continued dedicating her time and talent to the advancement of said properties by serving on many committees, especially as a member of the Community Center Committee, which planned the center, and later on, served as secretary to the Senior/Community Center Usage Committee. She was also a member of the Friends of Vermeule Mansion, where she served as Secretary and Trustee; and,

WHEREAS, the community service rendered by Skip to the Borough of North Plainfield earned her two (2) commendations from the New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, citations from the Somerset County Freeholders, the 2010 Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Distinguished Service and, in 2012, the Peace Works Open Sky Humanitarian Award; and,

WHEREAS, Skip remained active in the civic and social affairs of the Borough of North Plainfield and was a friend and mentor to many, especially within the school, civic, church and senior communities. Throughout her life, Skip devoted herself to the service of her family, church and the community which she loved. She always demonstrated respect and fairness which earned her the admiration of all who knew her.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield does hereby honor MABEL 'SKIP' HANSEN for all of her

years of dedicated service to her adopted hometown, and on behalf of all the people of this community, it commends and expresses its sincere appreciation for her tireless efforts and honors her.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of North Plainfield expresses its gratitude by forever naming the driveway from Clinton Avenue in the Borough of North Plainfield throughout the Community Center and Vermeule Mansion property as “MABEL ‘SKIP’ HANSEN WAY” and that the Borough records and maps shall reflect such.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator and all other appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to accomplish the naming of the driveway as set forth herein.

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

By: _____
Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Council Member

Introduced: October 26, 2015

Adopted: October 26, 2015

CERTIFICATION

I, Richard K. Phoenix, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the North Plainfield Borough Council at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on October 26, 2015.

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

By: _____
Richard K. Phoenix, R.M.C.
Borough Clerk

Date signed: October _____, 2015