

RESOLUTION NO. 13-033
ACCEPTING THE DECISION AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING
OFFICER IN CONNECTION WITH THE DISCIPLINE OF WILLIAM S. BARNETT

WHEREAS, William S. Barnett, a part-time paid firefighter employed by the Harrison Township Fire District ("Fire District"), was charged with conduct unbecoming arising out of his guilty plea to driving while under the influence; and

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2013 an administrative hearing was held before Hearing Officer Todd J. Gelfand, Esquire; and

WHEREAS, the Hearing Officer rendered his decision dated August 5, 2013, wherein it was recommended that Firefighter Barnett be removed from employment with the Fire District "based upon misconduct/conduct unbecoming through the commission of the DWI offense, operating a motor vehicle at such a level of intoxication to pass out behind the wheel and cause an accident" resulting in property damage as detailed in the New Jersey Police Crash Investigation Report dated February 28, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the Harrison Township Fire District that it hereby accepts the aforementioned decision and recommendation of the Hearing Officer such that William S. Barnett is hereby removed and terminated from employment with the Fire District effective immediately.

ATTEST

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF
THE HARRISON TOWNSHIP FIRE
DISTRICT



COMMISSIONER WALTER BRIGHT
SECRETARY/TREASURER



CHAIRMAN MICHAEL KOESTLER

Dated: August 15, 2013