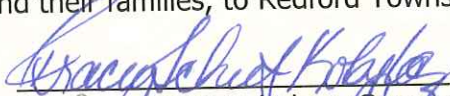


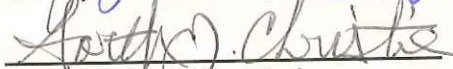
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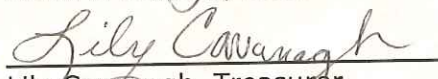
Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars

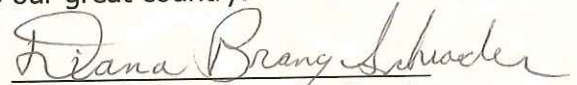
- WHEREAS,** the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is conducting its 98th year of volunteer service to America; and,
- WHEREAS,** year after year the organization continues to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by maintaining memorials to their service and sharing their history with our nation's youth so that what our nation's veterans have done for America will not be forgotten; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Ladies Auxiliary VFW supports the troops currently deployed in the War on Terrorism; and,
- WHEREAS,** more than 520,000 members represent the families of those who have served or are currently on foreign soil protecting our freedom; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Ladies Auxiliary VFW promotes our American heritage by conducting an annual patriotic ceremony and providing financial assistance for the preservation and beautification of this country's most treasured symbol of freedom, the Statue of Liberty; and,
- WHEREAS,** members volunteer nearly 2 million hours in Veterans Affairs Medical Centers and other hospitals throughout this country; and,
- WHEREAS,** the organization provides awards and scholarships to students based on their expressions of patriotism through art, speech, and volunteerism; and,
- WHEREAS,** the 2011 – 2012 National President, Gwendolyn Rankin, will be visiting Redford Township on April 17, 2012 to rally the Ladies Auxiliary members behind her theme, "Step Up ~ Leave No Veteran Behind."

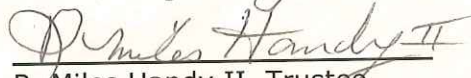
NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD BOARD OF TRUSTEES, do declare Tuesday, April 17, 2012 as "Step Up ~ Leave No Veteran Behind" Day in honor of National President Gwendolyn Rankin and all members of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW for their outstanding volunteer service to veterans and their families, to Redford Township and to our great country.

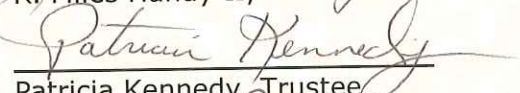

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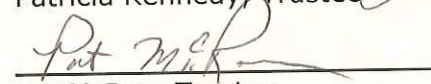

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Dated: April 17, 2012