

## **A PROCLAMATION HONORING**

### **BEN KASDORF**

**WHEREAS**, Ben Kasdorf, a Port Washington resident and certified lifeguard, was skateboarding with his dog in the area of Coal Dock Park when his attention was drawn by cries for help from an individual who had fallen into the harbor and was unable to swim.

**WHEREAS**, Ben Kasdorf immediately jumped into the harbor and was successful in his efforts to reach the stricken individual in time and to initially keep him afloat.

**WHEREAS**, Jude Brobst, a member of the Cedarburg High School swim and dive team, who was also in the area and alerted by the cries for help, entered the harbor waters to assist Kasdorf in keeping the victim afloat until rescue assistance provided by the Port Washington Police Department and the Fire Department Dive and Rescue Team arrived and assisted in safely removing the three individuals from the water.

**WHEREAS**, Ben Kasdorf took direct, immediate, and positive action to preserve the life of another human being who was in danger of dying.

**WHEREAS**, through his prompt and alert actions and with some degree of hazard to his own life and safety, he prevented the loss of a human life.

**WHEREAS**, the circumstances of this selfless act were such, that any delay in providing assistance would have, in all probability, resulted in the person's death.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BECKER**, Mayor of the City of Port Washington, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, on behalf of the Common Council and all residents of the City of Port Washington, do hereby recognize, thank, and extend the heartfelt appreciation of the people of our great City of Port Washington to

### **Ben Kasdorf**

For his quick thinking and selfless actions; rendering lifesaving aid, and thereby saving the life of a young man at the Port Washington harbor on Thursday evening, July 16, 2020.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Port Washington to be affixed, on this 4th day of August, in the year 2020.

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Martin T. Becker, Mayor