

Proclamation

Borough of Union Beach

WHEREAS, Color The World Orange™ is an annual event held the first Monday of November to spread awareness of complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD); and

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WHEREAS, complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD), is a chronic pain condition characterized by continuous, intense, often burning, pain that is out of proportion to the severity of the original injury. Symptoms can include changes in the skin color and temperature of the affected body part, as well as skin sensitivity, sweating and swelling; and

WHEREAS, CRPS/RSD was first identified during the Civil War, it remains a poorly understood condition. Although it is more common in women, CRPS can occur in anyone at any age, with a peak at age 40. CRPS is rare in the elderly. Very few children under age 10 and almost no children under age 5 are affected; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no identifiable cure for CRPS/RSD and treatments are only aimed at relieving pain through physical therapy, nerve blocks, epidurals, opiates, and spinal cord stimulators; and

WHEREAS, members of the CRPS/RSD community will be spreading awareness in the month of November; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2019, members of CRPS.RSD community will be celebrating their sixth annual Color the World Orange Day to spread awareness of CRPS/RSD;

*NOW, THEREFORE, I Paul J. Smith, Jr., Mayor of the Borough of Union Beach do hereby proclaim November 4, 2019 as **COLOR THE WORLD ORANGE DAY** in the Borough of Union Beach.*

*GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF
THE BOROUGH OF UNION BEACH,
THIS 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019*

*PAUL J. SMITH, JR.
MAYOR*