

**BOROUGH OF CLIFFSIDE PARK  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION 2014-156**

**JUNE 30, 2014**

**WHEREAS**, the disease of mental illness affects one in four people in the United States and the experience can be devastating for individuals and families with little knowledge of, or access to, mental health services; and

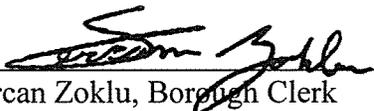
**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Cliffside Park takes pride in increasing access to mental health services through the provision of funding and support services to local agencies that provide services to residents on a sliding scale to assure access to treatment for all in need; and

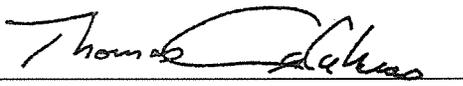
**WHEREAS**, the **Stigma-Free Zone** is designed to raise awareness of the disease of mental illness, reduce the stigma of mental illness and encourage those who are affected to feel supported in seeking treatment services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Department of Health Services/ Division of Mental Health in collaboration with the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cliffside Park will promote awareness of the disease of mental illness to decrease stigma; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Department of Health Services/Division of Mental Health will provide the Borough of Cliffside Park a tool kit to simplify the action steps needed to establish a **Stigma-Free Zone**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Bergen County Department of Health Services/Division of Mental Health.

  
Sercan Zoklu, Borough Clerk

  
Thomas Calabrese, Council President