

**Township of Shrewsbury
Resolution #2022-75
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

RESOLUTION OF SHREWBURY TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING INCREASING THE PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION FOR VETERANS TO \$1,000.00 AND BASING FUTURE DEDUCTIONS ON THE ANNUAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES

WHEREAS, Monmouth County is home to a veteran population in the State of New Jersey with over 40,000 Veterans, with many residents of Shrewsbury Township also being part of the Veteran population; and

WHEREAS, Shrewsbury Township residents suffer from property taxes as do all New Jersey residents, with New Jersey having some of the highest property taxes in the country; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of New Jersey adopted in 1947 provides a property tax deduction to Veterans who were honorably discharged or released of their honorable circumstances from active service at the time of war; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of New Jersey was amended in 1999 to provide eligible honorably discharged United States Armed Forces Veterans with a fixed \$250.00 property tax deduction; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans property tax deduction has not increased since 2003; and

WHEREAS, Assemblyman Ronald S. Dancer has introduced Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 31 proposing a constitutional amendment to increase the Veterans property tax deduction from \$250.00 to \$1,000.00, with future deductions to be based on the annual Consumer Price Index increase, and rounded to the next highest multiple of \$1.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Shrewsbury supports and urges the New Jersey Legislature to increase the annual property tax deduction for New Jersey Veterans per the aforesaid Resolution No. 31.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey that the Township Committee hereby supports Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 31, which would increase the property tax deduction for Veterans to \$1,000.00 and base future deductions on the annual Consumer Price Index increases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Shrewsbury Township shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey State Legislators of Monmouth County and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

ROLL CALL

Name	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Lettice						
Puhak						
Jennings						

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Township Committee at the Meeting held on July 19, 2022.

**Katrina Thornton, CMR
Acting Municipal Clerk**

**Lester Jennings
Mayor**