

# *Proclamation-Resolution 2024-31*

*WHEREAS, Lower Southampton Township is a Township of the Second Class in the County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the authority vested in it by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Southampton does hereby resolve the following:*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors are recognizing the bravery of **Captain-6 Jesse Dickson of Lower Southampton Fire Department and Battalion Chief-1 Robert Rudolph of Feasterville Fire Company**; and,*

*WHEREAS, on January 10, 2024, there was a dwelling fire with entrapment at 853 Hilton Avenue. Crews arrived in minutes to very heavy fire conditions on the first floor. Police confirmed entrapment of one person in the dwelling that was last seen on the second floor at the back of the house; and,*

*WHEREAS, first arriving crews from Lower Southampton Fire Department, Feasterville Fire Company and Trevoise Fire Company were fighting back heavy fire and trying to make entry. At this time, Command Post was set up towards the back of the dwelling where Chief Boyle and Chief Cummins observed very heavy smoke conditions and possible pre-flashover conditions from the second floor; and,*

*WHEREAS, leaving their crews to attack the fire at the front of the dwelling, **Captain Jesse Dickson and Battalion Chief Robert Rudolph** grabbed an extension ladder and, with great risk to themselves, entered a second floor window in an attempt to locate and rescue the victim without the protection of a hose line; and,*

*WHEREAS, while searching the second floor, they located the victim and were able to extricate the victim from the dwelling with the help of a couple of firefighters; and,*

*WHEREAS, the victim, unfortunately, did not survive. However, **Captain Dickson and Battalion Chief Rudolph** genuinely and heroically risked their lives to try and save the victim.*

***NOW THEREFORE,** do we the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Southampton honor **Captain-6 Jesse Dickson and Battalion Chief-1 Robert Rudolph** for their bravery and dedicated service to the residents of Lower Southampton Township.*

***ADOPTED,** by at least a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors at a duly advertised Public Meeting of the Township on the 11th of September, 2024 at which a quorum was present.*

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
LOWER SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP**

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**ATTEST:**

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Joseph Galdo, Township Manager