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Hillsborough Township, Purple Heart Community, to Hold Annual Ceremony on Thursday, August 6th at 6 pm *Ceremony Held Rain or Shine*

"Hillsborough Township will hold the Annual Purple Heart Ceremony on Thursday, August 6th at 6 pm at the Garden of Honor on the Grounds of the Municipal Complex," announced Mayor Doug Tomson at Tuesday's Township Committee Meeting.

The 6 pm ceremony will be held rain or shine. Light refreshments will follow the ceremony.

"It is our distinctive honor to once again host this significant commemoration ceremony in honor of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. All Hillsborough residents are invited to attend the ceremony," added Mayor Tomson during his remarks at the meeting.

The Purple Heart, the most recognized medal of the armed forces, is awarded to those serving in the armed forces that are injured or killed while serving in combat. It was originally introduced by George Washington as the Badge of Military Merit in 1782. It is the oldest military award given to U.S. military members.

At the first Purple Heart Ceremony held in Hillsborough back in 2012, a Purple Heart Monument was dedicated to the Township that resides at the Garden of Honor by Chapter 27 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

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