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## News Release

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### **Hillsborough Township to Hold Annual Purple Heart Ceremony at the Garden of Honor on Tuesday, August 7th @ 6 pm** *Ceremony to be held Rain or Shine*

“Hillsborough Township, a Purple Heart Community, will hold the Annual Purple Heart Ceremony on Tuesday , August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the Garden of Honor on the Grounds of the Municipal Complex,” announced Mayor Gloria McCauley at Tuesday’s Township Committee Meeting.

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

“Once again, it is our honor to 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 McCauley 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.

A Purple Heart Monument was dedicated to the Township at the first Purple Heart Ceremony on behalf of Chapter 27 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. The first annual ceremony was held at the Township in 2012. The monument proudly resides at the Garden of Honor.

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