# Installation and Reorganization Meeting of the 2020 Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders Courtroom of the Honorable Karen M. Cassidy, Assignment Judge Superior Court of the County of Union, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey

# SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020 AT TWELVE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

The Honorable Karen M. Cassidy, Assignment Judge, Superior Court of the County of Union, calls the Installation Ceremony and Re-Organizational meeting to order, offers welcoming comments and introduces the Mayor of the City of Elizabeth, the Honorable J. Christian Bollwage.

GREETINGS Honorable Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, City of Elizabeth

Master of Ceremonies, the Honorable Nicholas P. Scutari, New Jersey State Senator, 22<sup>nd</sup> District and Chairman of the

Union County Democratic Committee (UCDC).

INVOCATION Reverend Reginald Atkins, Zion Family Worship Center,

Roselle, New Jersey

CALL TO PRESENT THE COLORS Honorable Peter Corvelli, Union County Sheriff

THE PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

Union County Sheriff's Honor Guard

THE POSTING OF THE COLORS

Union County Sheriff's Honor Guard

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Honorable Peter Corvelli, Union County Sheriff

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Marie Oakie

The Honorable Sheriff Peter Corvelli will call for the Honor Guard to end their detail.

#### RECOGNITION OF HONORED GUESTS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will acknowledge the Honored Dignitaries present for the 2020 Installation Ceremonies.

**CERTIFICATIONS OF ELECTION** 

Honorable Joanne Rajoppi, Union County Clerk

James S. LaCorte, Union County Surrogate Bette Jane Kowalski, Union County Freeholder Sergio Granados, Union County Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams, Union County Freeholder

# ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE TO JAMES S. LACORTE

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will introduce Surrogate James S. LaCorte and call upon the Honorable Roselle Park Municipal Court Judge Gary A. Bundy to administer the Oath of Office to Surrogate James S. LaCorte.

Holding the Bible for James S. LaCorte are his daughters Meredith Carpenter and Kristin Kloss, son-in-laws Robert Carpenter and Terry Kloss, and grandchildren Amanda and Thomas Carpenter, James Terrence and Corinne Kloss.

Surrogate James S. LaCorte will offer his remarks.

Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon Union Township Democratic Committee Chairman, Joseph P. Cryan, to make a gift presentation to newly sworn-in Surrogate James S. LaCorte on behalf of the Union Democratic Committee.

#### GENERAL REMARKS

Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon New Jersey State Senator Joseph P. Cryan to offer remarks.

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE TO FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will introduce Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski and call upon the Honorable Congressman Tom Malinowski, 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, to administer the Oath of Office to Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski.

Holding the Bible for Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski is her husband Andrew Lanset.

Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski will offer her remarks.

Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable Cranford Township Mayor Patrick F. Giblin to make a gift presentation to newly sworn-in Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski on behalf of the Cranford Democratic Committee.

#### GENERAL REMARKS

Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable Congressman Tom Malinowski to offer remarks.

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE TO FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will introduce Freeholder Sergio Granados and call upon the Honorable Elizabeth Municipal Court Judge Jubilo Afonso to administer the Oath of Office to Freeholder Sergio Granados.

Holding the Bible for Freeholder Sergio Granados are his Goddaughters Isabella & Sofia Afonso, Godsons Tony & Teo Teixeira joined by Elizabeth Democratic Committee Chairman Tony Teixeira, Michelle Silva Afonso, Benjamin Afonso and Edward Afonso.

Freeholder Sergio Granados will offer his remarks.

Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable Elizabeth Democratic Committee Chairman Tony Teixeira to make a gift presentation to newly sworn-in Freeholder Sergio Granados on behalf of the Elizabeth Democratic Committee.

## GENERAL REMARKS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable United States Representative Bonnie Watson-Coleman to offer remarks.

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE TO FREEHOLDER REBECCA L. WILLIAMS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will introduce Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams and call upon the Honorable New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy to administer the Oath of Office to Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams.

Joining Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams for her affirmation are her mother Lynn Williams, sister Renita Williams, brother Richard Williams, friends Veronica Taylor and Eileen De Freece, Godson Liam Phillips-Brown and brother Finley Phillips-Brown.

Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams will offer her remarks.

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable Mayor and Plainfield Democratic Committee Chairman Adrian Mapp to make a gift presentation to newly sworn-in Freeholder Rebecca L. Williams.

#### GENERAL REMARKS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy to offer remarks.

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari will call upon the Honorable New Jersey Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney to offer remarks.

#### ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE 2020 BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

The Honorable New Jersey State Senator and UCDC Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari will turn the Installation Ceremony and Reorganizational Meeting of the 2020 Board of Chosen Freeholders over to the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, James E. Pellettiere.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Clerk of the Board will call the reorganizational meeting to order.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk of the Board will call the roll.

#### PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Clerk of the Board will lead the prayer and salute to the flag.

## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The Clerk of the Board will read the Open Public Meetings Act.

#### ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN OF THE 2020 BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

The first order of business will be the election of a Chairman.

The Clerk of the Board will call for a nomination for the election of a Chairman Pro-Tem of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2020.

Chairman Pro-Tem Bette Jane Kowalski calls for nominations for the election of a Chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2020.

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Chairman Pro-Tem Bette Jane Kowalski introduces the 2020 Chairman Alexander Mirabella and calls upon the Honorable New Jersey State Senator Scutari to administer the Oath of Office to Chairman Alexander Mirabella.

Holding the Bible for Chairman Alexander Mirabella is his wife Phyllis, son Alexander and daughter Micayla.

#### ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE 2020 BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

The next order of business is the election of a Vice Chairman for the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2020.

Chairman Alexander Mirabella calls for nominations for the election of a Vice Chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2020.

#### COSTEO

Chairman Alexander Mirabella introduces the 2020 Vice Chairman Angel G. Estrada and calls upon Jorge A. Estrada, Esq., to administer the Oath of Office to Vice Chairman Angel G. Estrada.

Holding the Bible for Freeholder Estrada are his three grandchildren, Keith, Alexandra, and Julian, joined by h	is
wife Teresa Estrada, daughter Lilian Duryee and son-in-law Christopher Duryee, son Daniel and his daughter-i	n-
law Magda Noga Estrada.	

## CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL MESSAGE

Chairman Alexander Mirabella will deliver the Chairman's Annual Message.

BENEDICTION

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Reverend Carmine Pernini, Zion Lutheran Church, Rahway, New Jersey

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Chairman Alexander Mirabella calls for a motion to recess.

### HONORED GUESTS

The Honorable Karen M. Cassidy, Assignment Judge, Superior Court of the County of Union

The Honorable United States Representative Bonnie Watson-Coleman, 12th Congressional District

The Honorable United States Representative Tom Malinowski, 7th Congressional District

The Honorable Governor Phil Murphy, New Jersey

The Honorable Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, New Jersey

The Honorable New Jersey Senator Nicholas P. Scutari, 22<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable New Jersey Senator Joseph P. Cryan, 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable New Jersey Assemblyman Jon Bramnick, 21<sup>st</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable New Jersey Assemblywoman Annette Quijano, 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable New Jersey Assemblyman Jamel Holley, 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable New Jersey Assemblywoman Linda Carter, 22<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District

The Honorable Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi
The Honorable Union County Sheriff Peter Corvelli
Acting Prosecutor Lyndsay Ruotolo

The Honorable Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, City of Elizabeth
The Honorable Mayor Adrian Mapp, City of Plainfield
The Honorable Mayor Patrick F. Giblin, Township of Cranford
The Honorable Roselle Park Municipal Court Judge Gary A. Bundy
The Honorable Elizabeth Municipal Court Judge Jubilo Afonso
The Honorable Tony Teixeira, Elizabeth Democratic Chairman
Jorge A. Estrada, Esq

Reverend Reginald Atkins, Zion Family Worship Center, Roselle, New Jersey
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