



Township of Irvington

Office of the Mayor



Mayor Tony Vauss

Proclamation

WORLD FALUN DAFA DAY 27TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, on May 13th, Falun Dafa practitioners around the world will celebrate the 20th World Falun Dafa Day, also marking the 27th anniversary of the introduction of Falun Dafa --- one of the world's most popular meditation and cultivation practices; and

WHEREAS, since 1992, over 100,000,000 people worldwide have become healthier, happier, and more altruistic through their practice of Falun Dafa. On the 20th World Falun Dafa Day, we hope that you will join in recognizing the benefits that this great practice has brought to our society. Falun Dafa, also called Falun Gong, is a peaceful spiritual practice rooted in traditional Chinese culture. It consists of meditation, five gentle sets of exercises, and a moral philosophy centered on the values of truthfulness, compassion and tolerance, which practitioners take as a guide to their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, rooted in ancient Chinese spiritual tradition, Falun Gong was first taught publicly in China in 1992 by Master Li Hongzhi, the founder of the practice. It spread quickly through word-of-mouth as tens of millions of Chinese citizens found greater health and spiritual well-being through the practice. Today, Falun Gong is practiced in over 70 countries worldwide by people of all ages and backgrounds. It is always taught free of charge by volunteers, and can be practiced individually or in groups. Master Li Hongzhi has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize four times; and

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa practitioners all over the world have dedicated countless hours to their communities in organizing free meditation classes, Chinese cultural productions of music and dance, and participating in local events; and

WHEREAS, for the past 20 years, local Falun Dafa practitioners have participated in and sponsored many events in New Jersey. They have presented many free exercise instruction classes in senior centers, corporate offices, health clubs, parks, libraries and private residences.

NOW THEREFORE, I, TONY VAUSS, Mayor of the Township of Irvington, New Jersey, do hereby proclaim May 13, 2019 as: FALUN DAFA DAY in the Township of Irvington, and join with our residents to pay tribute to our Falun Dafa practitioners.

MAYOR TONY VAUSS

