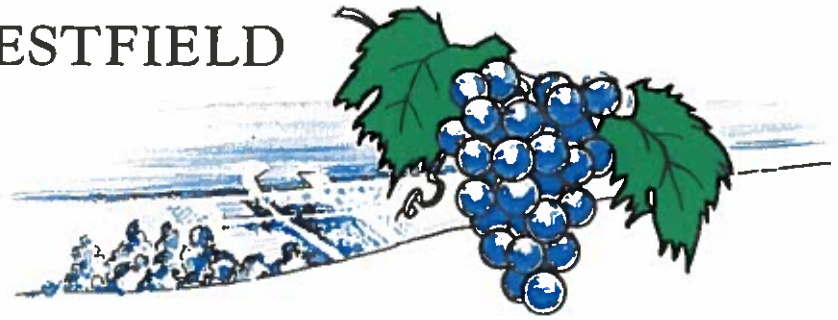


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Proclamation Honoring Daniel McMurray For Helping Form the Mayor's Youth Council

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees for the Village of Westfield, has determined that the young people of our community have unique insight into the needs, desires, problems and issues which confront, and are experienced by young people; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board believes that our youth, as inheritors of the community, are certainly deserving of a voice and representation, in efforts adopted by the Village to identify and resolve issues which concern the youth of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board feels it is important to provide an opportunity for the youth of Westfield to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for the political system through active participation in the system; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board believes by establishing a Mayor's Youth Council it will instill a feeling of a positive self-worth and esteem, to teach respect for the rights and property of others, to promote community pride, and eliminate potential negative influences among our future community leaders; and

WHEREAS, Daniel was the first Westfield student to bring the idea of a youth council to the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Daniel met with the Mayor and members of the Westfield Central School staff to move the vision of a youth council forward; and

WHEREAS, Daniel continued to work toward helping form the youth council even after he had left for Syracuse University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Michael VandeVelde, Mayor of the Village of Westfield, do hereby honor Daniel McMurray for his service helping form the Westfield Mayor's Youth Council and that he be declared a founding member of the council.

Dated: February 22, 2017
Michael VandeVelde, Mayor

