WHEREAS, Barry A. Kozyra, Esq. was born on April 18, 1953 and is a long time resident of the Township of Nutley; and

WHEREAS, Barry A. Kozyra, Esq., is a graduate of South River High School in South River, New Jersey, the University of Chicago (B.A. with Honors in The College and in American History 1975) and Rutgers Law School, Newark (J.D. 1978); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kozyra Esq. is married to Cheryl Peduto Kozyra and together have raised two successful daughters Jillian and Alexandra; and

WHEREAS, Barry A. Kozyra Esq. is a founding member in the law firm Kozyra & Hartz, LLC and is admitted to the bars in New Jersey, New York, Eastern District of New York, Southern District of New York, the Second, Third and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeal and the United States Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kozyra, Esq. is a member of the American Bar Association, the New Jersey State Bar Association and the Essex County Bar Association (Chairman of the Criminal Law Section (1988-1989); and

WHEREAS, Barry A. Kozyra Esq. previously served as a member of the Township of Nutley Planning Board and currently serves as the attorney for the Township of Nutley Planning Board, is a mediator for the New Jersey State Chancery and Law Divisions of the Superior Court, Discovery Master, Statutory Receiver and Special Fiscal Agent for the New Jersey State Superior Court Chancery Division, Federal Arbitrator, United States District Court of New Jersey, Federal Mediator, United States District Court of New Jersey, Panelists in the Essex County Family and Chancery Early Settlement Programs, Essex County Contract Arbitrator and an Essex County Condemnation Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kozyra Esq. also serves as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees of the Legal Services Corporation of New Jersey, former Chairman of the St. Clare Church Finance Committee (2007-2013), President and Founder of the Filomena Coppola Memorial Scholarship Fund and former Chancellor of the Nutley Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, Barry A. Kozyra, Esq. was named as a 2005 and 2006 “Super Lawyer” in the Super Lawyer Magazine and a 2012 New Jersey Top Rated Lawyers for Administrative Law, Civil, Trusts and Estates; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kozyra, Esq. is the recipient of the New Jersey State Bar Association’s Service to the Bar Award, the Essex County Bar Association’s General Practice Achievement Award, the 2018 Elks Citizen of the Year Award and the 2018 Essex County Bar Association Professional Lawyer of the Year Award for his exemplary conduct, competence, diligence, demeanor and for setting a positive example for others; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that the Township of Nutley pay tribute to the overwhelming accomplishments of Barry A. Kozyra, Esq. and for his steadfast resolve to succeed in life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Township commend Barry A. Kozyra, Esq. for his distinguished contributions and accomplishments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Nutley extend its sincerest congratulations to Barry A. Kozyra, Esq. for being selected to receive the 2018 Elks Citizen of the Year Award and 2018 Professional Lawyer of the Year Award.