

*Wendy J.W. Marshall*  
 Wendy J. W. Marshall, MMC  
 Town Clerk

## RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

JAMES "JIM" CULIPHER DAY

IN THE TOWN



WHEREAS: The Town Council of the Town of Middletown has been apprised that Middletown Resident James "Jim" Culipher has been selected as Knight of the Year 2025, and

WHEREAS: James Culipher was born in Newport, RI on March 3, 1945, and grew up in Middletown, RI, and

WHEREAS: Mr. Culipher served in the US Navy from 1963-1967 where he was stationed in San Diego, California. Jim served on two ships during his tour of duty, The USS Saint Claire (LST-1096) and the USS Jason (ARA -8). He was an Engineman 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Petty Officer when he was discharged although he was selected for promotion to a 2nd Class Petty Officer but did not have enough time remaining before his honorable discharge to be advanced, and

WHEREAS: Upon his discharge Jim worked for Raytheon, Johnson Brothers Oil, Leary Oil, and the US Navy at the Newport Naval Station (Public Works) until he retired in 2010. Jim also had his own Burner Service for over 30 years.

WHEREAS: Jim, a devoted husband to Maureen Kelly, married June 6, 1964 at Saint Mary's Church, Newport, RI and celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary last year. The Culipher's raised three beautiful children: John, Jim (Andrea) and Chris (Megan), and

WHEREAS: It is fitting, indeed, that this Town Council joins in the well-deserved tribute to James Culipher in recognition of his dedication, energy and contributions to his community, and

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: The Town Council of the Town of Middletown, speaking on behalf of all its citizens, commends and congratulates James Culipher's on his time of service as a member of the Middletown/Newport Knights of Columbus, Council 256 for over forty years and a Sir Knight of the General Rosecrans Assembly and wishes him many more happy and healthy years ahead.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Middletown Proclaims September 20, 2025 as JAMES "JIM" CULIPHER DAY in the Town.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have here unto set our hand and caused the seal of the Town of Middletown to be affixed this 15th day of September A.D. 2025.

*Paul M. Rodrigues*

Paul M. Rodrigues, President  
 Middletown Town Council

*Thomas P. Welch, III*

Thomas P. Welch, III  
 Vice Chair

*Peter D. Connerton, Sr.*

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 Councillor

*Christopher M. Logan*

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 Councillor

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 Councillor

*Dennis B. Turano*

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 Councillor

*Barbara A. VonVillas*

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