

# Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills

## Proclamation

**Whereas**, we honor Raoul Wallenberg, the hero responsible for the rescue of thousands of Hungarian Jews from extermination by the Nazis in 1944; and

**Whereas**, the U.S. War Refugee Board requested that Sweden, a neutral state in the war, spearhead a rescue effort in Budapest; and

**Whereas**, Wallenberg was the Swedish diplomat that led the mission to give Jewish people passports and safe homes under the Swedish crown, protecting them from deportation; and,

**Whereas**, He sacrificed his life to defend what was right, and give people the chance to live free from persecution; and,

**Whereas**, the Township has the utmost gratitude towards Raoul Wallenberg and commend him for his commitment of courage and compassion to others.

**Now, Therefore**, I, Michael A. Soriano, Mayor of the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, do hereby proclaim that I declare the first Sunday in August, to be Raoul Wallenberg Day. I encourage all citizens to foster the message of Courage and Compassion.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 2018



Handwritten signature of Michael A. Soriano in blue ink.

Michael A. Soriano  
Mayor