



# Proclamation

By The County Executive

## *Recognizing Mary Vercande*

*Whereas, Mercer County partners with the Cherish the Children Foundation to recognize and honor volunteers who contribute outstanding service to the children of Mercer County; and*

*Whereas, the Cherish the Children Foundation hosts its 33rd Annual Cherish the Children Awards Banquet on April 17th, 2019 to honor individuals and organizations in Mercer County that work to have a positive impact on the lives of children; and*

*Whereas, the Cherish the Children Foundation presents the Program Volunteer Award to an individual who exemplifies a commitment to enhancing the quality of life of Mercer County children and whose contributions and dedication are an inspiration to the community; and*

*Whereas, the 2019 Program Volunteer Award is presented to Mary Vercande, who began her volunteer work with the Mentoring Program at LifeTies more than one year ago, and was a natural for this activity because she loves working with children and making a positive impact on their lives; and*

*Whereas, Mary Vercande was matched with her first mentee in January 2018 and was a constant source of motivation for her through discussions and activities, with an unwavering drive to help her identify her strengths and build confidence in her own abilities; and*

*Whereas, Mary Vercande has devoted time to all the youths at LifeTies and has made herself available to the organization's training groups by speaking with them about the fulfillment she has found by working with her mentee,*

*Now, Therefore, I, Brian M. Hughes, Mercer County Executive, do hereby congratulate Mary Vercande on her receipt of the Cherish the Children Program Volunteer Award, and thank her heartily for her example to the people of Mercer County.*



**Brian M. Hughes**  
County Executive