



# Proclamation

By The County Executive

## *Recognizing the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the William Trent House*

*Whereas, the William Trent House marks its 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a celebration on Saturday, June 1, 2019; and*

*Whereas, the William Trent House Museum is a National Historic Landmark that is owned by the City of Trenton and operated by the Trent House Association, which is dedicated to bringing the rich history of early New Jersey alive for the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and*

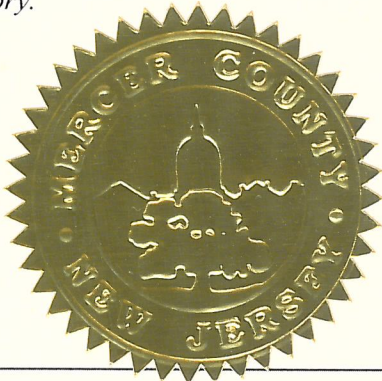
*Whereas, the William Trent House was built in 1719 in a colonial Georgian style by Philadelphia merchant William Trent, on 800 acres of traditional Lenape tribal lands that would come to be known as the City of Trenton; and*

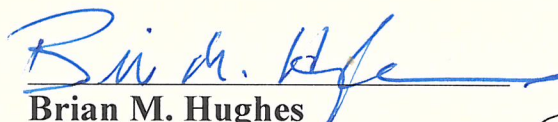
*Whereas, the William Trent House played an important role during the Revolutionary War, serving as a hospital and supply depot for the Continental Army, and was occupied by Hessian soldiers, and throughout the past three centuries has served as a private home, and as the official residence for three New Jersey Governors; and*

*Whereas, the William Trent House was purchased from its last private owner, Edward A. Stokes, in 1929 under the stipulation that it be restored to its colonial appearance, and it officially opened as a museum on June 1, 1939, listed in both State and National Registers of Historic Landmarks; and*

*Whereas, the William Trent House's sense of community and character have remained intact amid the commercial and residential growth that have taken place throughout the region, and strives to educate visitors about the diverse lives and roots of the residents involved in growth of the city founded by William Trent,*

*Now, Therefore, I, Brian M. Hughes, Mercer County Executive, do hereby join the Trent House Association in its celebration of the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the William Trent House and its place in Mercer County's rich history.*



  
Brian M. Hughes  
County Executive