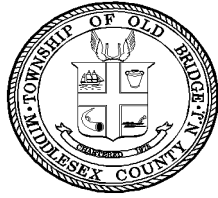


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### ***TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE RECOGNIZES SPECIAL OLYMPICS USA GAMES GOLD MEDALIST***



**Old Bridge Township, NJ-** The Council meeting held on Monday, August 6, 2018 was very heartwarming to Mayor Owen Henry, Township Council, residents, and the Lehrer family. The Township took a moment to honor the local New Jersey Special Olympics Swimmer, Michael Lehrer.

Mayor Owen Henry was delighted to present Michael Lehrer with a special Township of Old Bridge Proclamation. Michael Lehrer has been competitively swimming for about five years, winning 49 Special Olympics medals for the Old Bridge Robin Swim Team. Michael swims all four competitive Olympic strokes, but specializes in Breast Stroke and Butterfly, which are known to be the most difficult strokes to master.

The Special Olympics USA Games celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this summer. It has grown to be a significant sporting phenomenon and aired on ESPN. Michael Lehrer continues his grueling workout schedule swimming at least three times a week to prepare for future competitions.

“Michael Lehrer has become the pride of Old Bridge,” said Mayor Owen Henry. “What an honor it is to know that out of 4,000 athletes in the Special Olympic USA Games, Mr. Lehrer represented us. Mr. Lehrer has proved to the nation that great things come out of Old Bridge. There is no doubt in my mind that we will continue to hear great things about Mr. Lehrer.”

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