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**RESOLUTION #178-2013
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer, causing as many as 500 lung cancer deaths annually in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, elevated radon levels are found in many homes and pose a serious health threat to families residing in these homes; and

WHEREAS, any home may have high levels of radon -- even if neighboring homes do not; and

WHEREAS, radon testing is easy and inexpensive -- and elevated levels of radon can be effectively reduced at the cost of a typical home repair; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of homes in West Amwell Township have elevated levels of radon; and

WHEREAS, by mitigating homes with radon concentrations at or above 4 pCi/L in New Jersey, 140-250 lives are saved annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Zach Rich, Mayor of West Amwell Township, on behalf of the West Amwell Township Committee and residents of West Amwell Township, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2014, as

RADON ACTION MONTH

in the Township of West Amwell and call upon all residents who have not yet tested to test their homes for radon and to reduce radon levels if elevated levels are found, to protect their families from the serious health risk of radon.

ADOPTED: November 27, 2013