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ORANGE TOWNSHIP MAYOR SAYS TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES

ORANGE, NJ – Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq. issued a reminder to property owners that there are two tax relief opportunities available to qualified home owners. The first program is the 2013 Senior Freeze Property Tax Reimbursement (PTR) Program. This Program is distinct from other property tax relief programs and has its own eligibility requirements for senior citizen homeowners. The deadline for this Program has been extended from June 2, 2014 to September 15, 2014.

Mayor Warren and the Orange Municipal Council sponsored a second tax relief program that provides for tax amnesty to delinquent property owners who may be facing fines and penalties. Mayor Warren stated that “the goal of the Orange Tax Amnesty Program is to maintain homeownership, increase revenue collections and prevent blighted and abandoned properties.” The Amnesty Program will only be available for a limited time from June 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014.

Michael J. Bryan, Director of the New Jersey Division of Taxation noted that “applicants of the Senior Freeze (PTR) Program can receive benefits from any of the other state property tax relief programs for which they qualify, but the total amount of property tax relief benefits received cannot exceed the amount of property taxes paid on their principal residence for the same year”.

The Tax Amnesty program is being extended to both households and businesses in Orange. “This program is applicable only if all tax and utility arrears are paid in full upon receipt,” said Orange Tax Collector Carl Smith. “Partial payments will not qualify for amnesty. Payments received after July 31, 2014 will not qualify for amnesty and will accrue interest,” Smith stated.

For more information about the Senior Freeze (PTR) Program call 1(800)882-6597 from 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Monday through Friday or email nj.propertytaxrelief@treas.state.nj.us .

For more information about the Tax Amnesty Program call the Tax Collector’s office at (973)266-4019, (973)266-4020 and (973)266-4034 and (973)266-4035 or email Carl Smith, tax collector for the City of Orange Township at csmith@ci.orange.nj.us from 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Monday through Friday.