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<u>PERSONAL:</u> I was born and raised in Newark, NJ and attended *Rutgers College of Arts and Sciences*. I lived there for 24 years and moved to Toms River in 1983. I retired to Holiday City Carefree in 2016. I'm 65 years old, divorced and have two children 31 and 26 years old.

WORK EXPERIENCE: I worked as a letter carrier for the US Postal Service for 38 years; served as a Union President for 24; and was a member of the NJ State Board of Letter Carriers for 10. I also was the Legislative Liaison for the 3rd Congressional District, which encompasses Holiday City for 10. I held many positions in both the Postal Service and Union, serving in leadership and supervisory roles. Currently I am the *Director of Retirees* for the local Letter Carriers Union.

AS UNION PRESIDENT, I authored and administered the by-laws of our Branch; wrote and negotiated numerous Local Memorandums of Understanding; enforced our National Agreement; and processed in excess of 9500 grievances on behalf of my members. I represented and served my members in hundreds of mediations, EEO and dispute resolution cases. As President, I chaired our monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings and was the committee chairperson for fifteen charitable and civic programs. I formulated yearly budgets; provided monthly financial statements and spread sheets; and insured that every penny spent was approved and accounted for by the Executive Board and our Members (shareholders).

HOLIDAY CITY CAREFREE: I became the Chairperson for our Neighborhood Watch Program in 2018 and was appointed by the Township as the Emergency Management Coordinator for Holiday City Carefree. My core responsibility as the Chairperson of the Neighborhood Watch is to make our community as safe and secure as possible, In May of this year, I was appointed to the Board of Directors of Holiday City Carefree and am a member of the Senior Coalition of Berkeley Township. Each month I write numerous articles for the Carefree Gazette providing residents with informational tips to insure their safety and security and a broad array of useful information. I do my best as a shareholder to improve our community. I believe that being a Director on the Board extends beyond the grounds of which the clubhouse stands. It's also about being pro-active in the community; responsive to the needs of our residents, and to make improvements outside the four corners of the clubhouse.

In February 2024, I was appointed to the *Berkeley Township Board of Education* and served on the Contract Negotiation Committee. I represent our seniors on the Board. The Board has a 41 million dollar budget which accounts for 46.46 % of our taxes, which I keep a close eye on.

<u>POLITICS</u>: I am very active in the political arena at the Township, State and Congressional levels which has spanned over 45 years. I focus on legislation that affects our senior community and neutral to the parties regardless of my political affiliation.

GOALS AND INTENTIONS: My goals are to unify our community; bring peace, harmony and tranquility. I will insure financial accountability; solvency and responsibility; and be transparent.

I will listen to your concerns and act upon them within the jurisdiction and capabilities of my position as director, enforcing the rules and regulations fairly and evenly. I will be accessible, responsive to your needs and concerns and that of our community. I will bring forth structure and order ... and will always be honest and respectful to our shareholders. Together we will make HC Carefree the best it can be.