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Re: 250th Anniversary Planning Committee

Dear Township Board, Council & Commission Members and Community Members,

I hope this letter finds you well and in great spirits. As we approach a landmark moment in our nation's history—the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution—I am thrilled to share a unique and meaningful opportunity for us all.

Millstone Township is steeped in history, with a legacy that ties us directly to the Revolutionary period. During the war, our Township is purported to have Signal Beacon #21 within our boundaries. The Rising Tavern was used by British General Clinton and the Patriots' Marquis de Lafayette and Alexander Hamilton as their headquarters, missing each other by two days.

As we reflect on the stories of those who fought for independence, Millstone Township has the remarkable chance to honor this history by commemorating the 250th Anniversary in a way that connects us to our past while inspiring our future. Notably, we are planning a **George Washington encampment at the Baird Homestead** providing a flavor of army life on the road, highlighting Captain David Baird's pivotal role as a guide to Washington's troops to the Battle of Monmouth during the war. Residents will meet with Washington and the soldiers encamped on the grounds and learn about the American Revolution.

To bring this vision to life, I am calling upon the members of our Township Commissions, Councils, and the wider community to **join the planning committee for this historic event**. I invite you to bring your ideas, energy, and passion to this endeavor. Together, we can plan activities and events that will celebrate our history while engaging and educating our residents. There is no limit to the impact we can make when we come together to honor this momentous occasion.

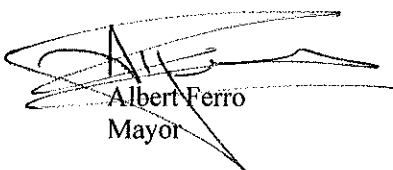
Please let us know of your interest in joining the planning committee. It would be wonderful if every group could send at least one representative. I look forward to collaborating with you to make the 250th Anniversary commemoration a resounding success.

The meeting is planned for **Wednesday, June 11, 2026, at 7:00 pm** via zoom. Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81772073468?pwd=EFKPPAGJNm1uzJV6AvQsxQHyoZs7CB.1>

Meeting ID: 817 7207 3468; Passcode: 405909

Please RSVP to Kevin Abernethy at twpadm@millstonenj.gov.

With gratitude and excitement,


Albert Ferro
Mayor