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PROCLAMATION

Honoring

Shane 'Ink Master' O'Neill

March 12, 2012

WHEREAS, Shane O'Neill opened his business "Shane O'Neill's Infamous Tattoo" on Main Street in Middletown in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Shane O'Neill has steadily and increasingly grown in popularity as a tattoo artist in Delaware and throughout the Mid-Atlantic Region, and;

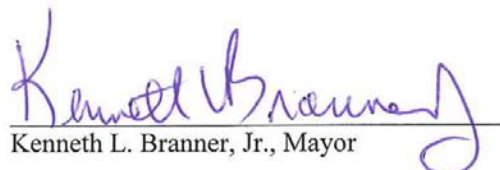
WHEREAS, Shane O'Neill, a graduate of the University of Arts in Philadelphia and former illustrator, is a self-taught tattooer and is now recognized as one of the best portrait and realism artists in the business. He also specializes in wildlife and horror tattoos and has won more than 100 awards for his work; and

WHEREAS, Shane O'Neill was recently selected to be one of 10 contestants on SpikeTV's new reality show "Ink Master," a competition between some of the best tattoo artists in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Shane O'Neill was crowned the "Ink Master" on the finale of the show March 6, 2012, and the Mayor and Council of Middletown would like to recognize Shane's professional success and for proudly announcing his shop is located in Middletown, Delaware, throughout the series; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Middletown would also like to extend our most heartfelt congratulations to Shane for his successes in business, being a good husband and father, and an all-around nice guy; and therefore

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT I, Kenneth L. Branner, Jr., Mayor of the Town of Middletown, Delaware, do hereby congratulate Shane O'Neill with all of the authority vested in me, and; **BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED** that March 12, 2012, shall be declared "**SHANE O'NEILL DAY**" in the Town of Middletown.


Kenneth L. Branner, Jr., Mayor