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Bergen Freeholders Swear in New Members, Appoint Zur as Chairwoman



HACKENSACK- The Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders on Wednesday, January 4th, 2017 held its Annual Reorganization meeting, swearing in Freeholders Mary J. Amoroso (D- Mahwah), Germaine M. Ortiz (D- Emerson), and Thomas J. Sullivan (D-Montvale) for their first full three-year terms.

The Freeholders also elected their leadership, as the members unanimously supported Freeholder Tracy Silna Zur (D- Franklin Lakes) for the position of Board Chairwoman. Sullivan was also sworn in as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

"I'm incredibly honored by the trust my colleagues have placed in me to serve as Chair this year," said Zur, now entering her 5th year on the Freeholder Board. "I plan to continue the leadership that this board has championed, delivering good government and implementing policies that make a difference in the lives of Bergen County residents. From facing the heroin epidemic, to charting a future for Bergen Regional Medical Center, to ensuring our differently-abled have expanded academic and job opportunities, we will continue our commitment to providing top-notch County services to the people that need them most."

"I am honored that the residents of Bergen County have chosen me to return for another term, and I'd like to thank my colleagues for selecting me to serve as Vice-Chairman this year," echoed Sullivan. "Last year, it was the leadership of this board that convinced Bergen Regional to add more detox beds to help deal with the heroin epidemic that has touched so many lives here in Bergen County. I look forward to continuing that work in this upcoming term while working on policies that we all worry about, like increasing job opportunities and training, and tackling transportation issues."