

Proclamation

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen settled in Ellington in 1949 where she and her husband David raised their three children, Jonathan, Sanford and Harris; and

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen made many outstanding contributions to the Ellington community for over fifty-six years until the time of her death in 2005; and

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen was an active member of the Congregation Knesseth Israel Sisterhood, B'Nai Brith and Ellington Historical Society; and

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen served the Town as a member of the Ad Hoc Historical Book Committee, Bicentennial Committee, Ad Hoc Shenipsit Lake Study Committee and as Land Record Inspector; and

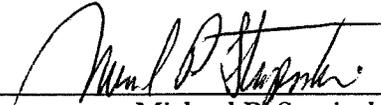
Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen was appointed Town Historian in 1990 and was a pioneer in researching and documenting the history of Ellington thereby providing the community with a sense of time, place and distinction; and

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen, with contributions from a group of Ellington residents, produced a book, *Ellington: Chronicles of Change*, depicting various subjects such as the frontier, homesteaders, mills, churches and schools; and

Whereas, Dorothy Block Cohen devoted countless hours to tirelessly sift through old records, land deeds and grants to lay the foundation for land surveyors to create a "Proprietor's Map" of Ellington; and

Now, Therefore, I, Michael P. Stupinski, First Selectman of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, on behalf of all its citizens, and by order of the Board of Selectmen, do hereby induct Dorothy Block Cohen to the Ellington Wall of Honor in recognition of her diligent work as the Municipal Historian.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the Town of Ellington to be affixed this sixth day of September 2008.



Michael P. Stupinski
First Selectman