## BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD



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## Dear Property Owner:

The Bergen County Board of Taxation and the New Jersey Division of Taxation has authorized Westwood to undertake the annual Reassessment Program beginning with the tax year 2017 and continuing through 2021. This program will ensure uniform and equitable assessments throughout the municipality, account for the recent changes in the real estate market and significantly reduce the costly tax appeals experienced in the past. The Borough has contracted Appraisal Systems, Inc. to assist in conducting the Reassessment Program.

An inspection of your property may be necessary as part of the program. Appraisal Systems, Inc. will be supplied with all current Property Record Cards (PRC's) maintained by the Assessor's Office and any recent construction permits issued by the Building Department.

Appraisal Systems, Inc. representatives will carry photo identification and their names will be registered with the Police Department and the Borough Clerk's office. **Please do not allow anyone to enter your home without proper identification.** You will be requested to sign the field form used by the representative to acknowledge when an interior inspection is made. Please advise the occupants of any rental units you may own so they are prepared for the inspection.

The new property values for 2017 will all be determined based on their estimated market value as of October 1, 2016 (the statutory date required by law). All property owners will be notified by mail of their proposed assessed values and will have an opportunity to question/contest the values.

Any inquiries with respect to the inspection and/or valuation procedure should be directed to Appraisal Systems, Inc. at (201) 493-8530. General information about the Reassessment process can be obtained from the Appraisal Systems, Inc. website at www.asinj.com.

Sincerely,

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