Farmingville, NY - On Saturday, August 24, Councilwoman Connie Kepert cut the ribbon at the starting line of the 5k Sarcoidosis Research Fun Run at McCarthy’s Pub in Centereach. The event was organized by Frank Rivera, a staunch advocate for research to find a cure for this disease. The Councilwoman had previously honored Frank at the May Town Board Meeting.

"This event was a great success, thanks in large part to the work of Frank Rivera," stated Councilwoman Kepert. "A great many runners, as well as walkers, came out on a beautiful morning to support this great cause. Sarcoidosis is a debilitating inflammatory disease that can affect many organs of the body which has no known cause or cure. Events like this are extremely important because they both raise awareness and help to raise the funds needed to advance life-saving research. Thank you to Kimmia Forouzesh, Philanthropic Communications Coordinator at the Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research, for flying out from Chicago to join in the fight for a cure."

For more information on Sarcoidosis, or to make a donation, visit http://www.stopsarcoidosis.org.

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