## Bernards Township

John Malay, Mayor One Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

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To the Small Business Council of America,

As mayor of Bernards Township, I wish to support the nomination of Anthony Sblendorio for Small Business Council of America "Person of the Year."

Anthony has been of tremendous help to our community through his efforts at using landscaping and gardening to create a more sustainable environment. His advice and counsel, plus his several actual projects in town, have given us insight on just how municipalities and private individuals can re-design their property to enhance water quality, reduce flooding and create native wildlife habitats.

His recent opening of a retail garden center here is helping to provide our residents with the plants and the tools to convert their yards to more environmentally-sustainable areas, reduce the need for lawn chemicals and save money doing it.

Anthony is a passionate advocate for a better environment through creative concepts landscaping and gardening. Please consider him for your award.

Sincerely,

John Malay Mayor, Bernards Township