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RESOLUTION

Recognizing November 11, 2022, as Veterans Day

November 15, 2022

WHEREAS, Veterans Day 2022 honors America's Veterans who have served in times of war and of peace, acknowledging New Jersey's 310,802 Veterans, 26,434 of which are women, along with their families, recognizing military families have a culture and unique behavioral health needs that may not always be understood and appropriately supported within the greater community; and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Veterans Affairs national theme for Veterans Day 2022 is "Honor," recognizing Veterans pride in their military service, with the word "honor" reflecting the military value and tradition of answering the call to duty; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is to provide trained and ready forces prepared for rapid response to a wide range of civil and military operations, while providing exemplary services to citizens and Veterans of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, according to the US Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, more than two of ten Veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) also have a substance use disorder (SUD,) and one out of every three Veterans seeking treatment for an SUD also has PTSD; and

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy, NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Brigadier General Dr. Lisa Hou, and Department of Human Services Commissioner Sarah Adelman remain committed to the Governor's Challenge to Prevent Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans, and Their Families, building on existing suicide prevention efforts across the state to assist with further implementation of best policies and practices using a comprehensive public health approach; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey proudly supports its Veterans with resources including Vets4Warriors 855-VET-TALK, Vet2Vet 866-VETS-NJ4, National Suicide Prevention Hotline 988, Vet Center Combat Call Center 877-995-5247, and the rereleased Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse / NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Resource Guide for Veterans, military, and their families.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse hereby recognizes Veterans Day, November 11, 2022, in gratitude to our brave and dedicated military, Veterans, and their families for their service to our nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Phil Murphy, the New Jersey Legislature, the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, County Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Directors and County Alliance Coordinators.

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Neil Van Ess, Acting Chairman

November 15, 2022 Date