

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 76

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Commends New Jersey Civil War 150th Anniversary Committee for helping commemorate New Jersey's role in Civil War.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** commending the New Jersey Civil
2 War 150th Anniversary Committee.

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4 **WHEREAS**, The Civil War was a defining event in American history
5 shaping the social, political, and economic beliefs of a nation
6 destined to provide “liberty and justice for all”; and

7 **WHEREAS**, The hundreds of thousands of lives lost in the Civil War
8 were not lost in vain for the civil struggle between the North and
9 the South resulted in: the abolishment of slavery and indentured
10 servitude; the promise of immunity, due process, and equal
11 protection; and the privilege of voting rights regardless of race or
12 color; and

13 **WHEREAS**, The 150th anniversary of the Civil War will be observed
14 around the nation in the years 2011 to 2015; and

15 **WHEREAS**, New Jerseyans began to address their opposition to slavery
16 as early as the late eighteenth century and soon thereafter passed
17 New Jersey’s first abolition act in 1804 and its second, stronger
18 abolition act in 1846; and

19 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey operated many “Underground Railroad”
20 stations from Cape May to Jersey City with well known conductors
21 including Harriet Tubman and William Still; and

22 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey sent the first full militia brigade to defend
23 Washington after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter; and

24 **WHEREAS**, 73,000 men from New Jersey served in the Union Army;
25 and

26 **WHEREAS**, The women from New Jersey served on and off the
27 battlefields tending to the injured and sick soldiers, sewing
28 uniforms, writing supportive poetry, and supporting military
29 academics; and

30 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey expanded its economy to include the
31 production of industrial goods such as uniforms, cutlery, swords,
32 bayonets, muskets, and railroad engines to help win the war through
33 technological advantage; and

34 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Civil War 150th Anniversary Committee is
35 an all volunteer citizen group within the New Jersey Civil War
36 Heritage Association with expert knowledge in the history of the
37 Civil War and the role New Jersey played in it; and

38 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Civil War 150th Anniversary Committee is
39 dedicated to fostering an understanding and appreciation of the
40 event by the citizens of New Jersey and all others for the
41 importance of New Jersey’s role in the Civil War by creating,
42 producing, and publicizing commemorative activities and
43 educational programs around the State of New Jersey during New
44 Jersey’s 2011 to 2015 celebration of the anniversary of the Civil
45 War; now, therefore,

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47 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the General Assembly of the State of New
48 Jersey:

1 1. This House commends the New Jersey Civil War 150th
2 Anniversary Committee for taking the initiative to celebrate the
3 150th anniversary of the Civil War by creating, producing, and
4 publicizing a Statewide educational program with the intent to
5 foster an appreciation and understanding by the citizens of New
6 Jersey and all others of New Jersey's role in the Civil War.

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8 2. Duly authenticated copies of this resolution, signed by the
9 Speaker of the General Assembly and attested to by the Clerk
10 thereof, shall be transmitted to the members of the New Jersey Civil
11 War Heritage Association and the New Jersey Civil War 150th
12 Anniversary Committee.

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STATEMENT

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