

ASSEMBLY HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION No. 13

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 15, 2014

The Assembly Human Services Committee reports favorably Assembly Joint Resolution No. 13.

This joint resolution designates the third full week in March of each year as “Horticultural Therapy Week” in New Jersey to increase public awareness of the importance of horticultural therapy in improving the quality of life for all and increasing opportunities for each individual to experience the endless benefits of the people-plant connection.

The joint resolution directs the Governor to issue a proclamation recognizing the third full week in March of each year as “Horticultural Therapy Week” and calling upon public officials and the citizens of this State to observe the week with appropriate activities and programs.

As reported, this joint resolution is identical to SJR-12 (Bateman/Vitale), which the committee also reported favorably on this date.

This joint resolution was pre-filed for introduction in the 2014-2015 session pending technical review. As reported, the joint resolution includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.